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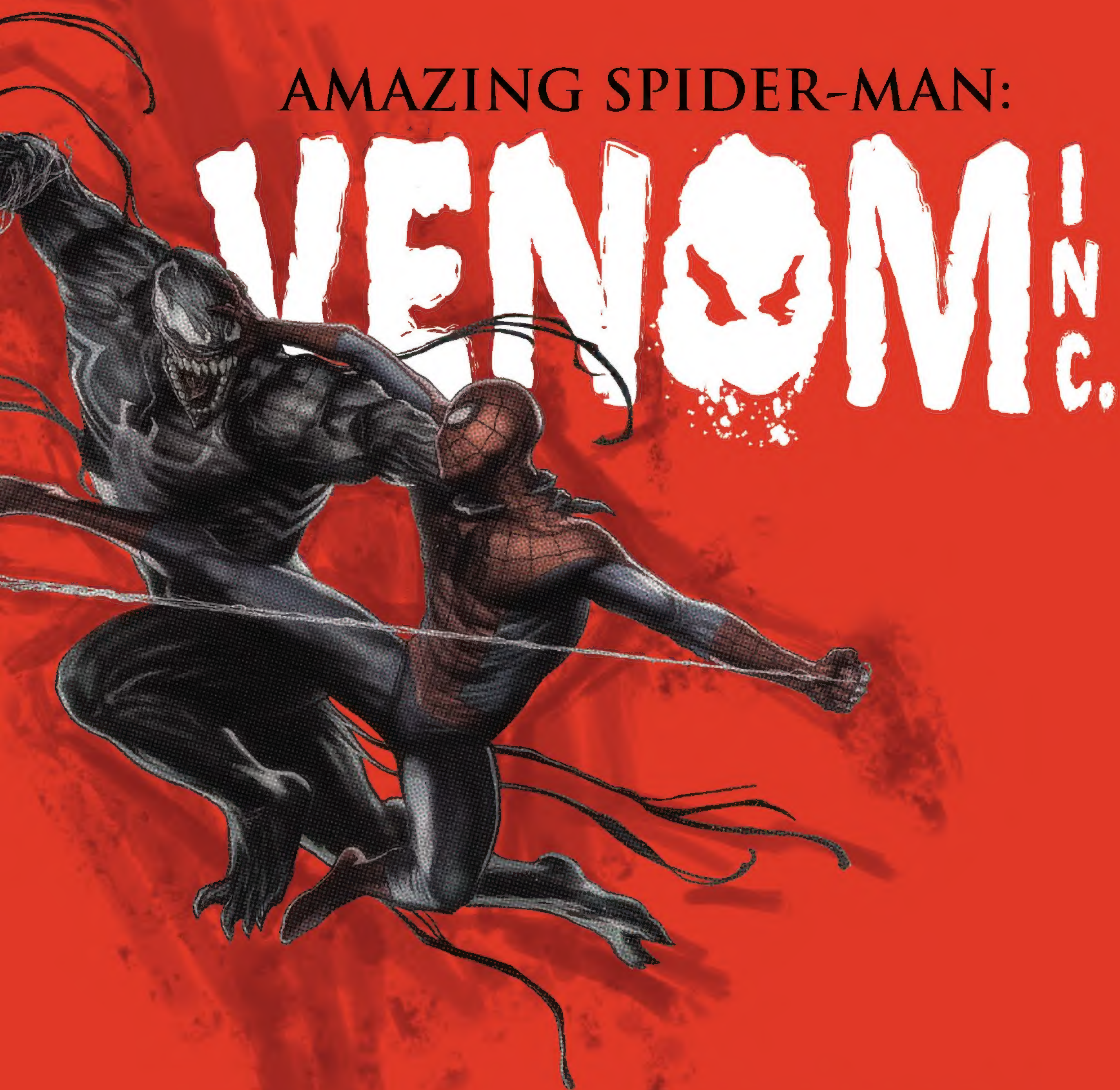
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Things are worse than ever for **PETER PARKER**. His company has gone bankrupt, and Peter has had no choice but to crash on the couch of his girlfriend, Bobbi Morse A.K.A. Mockingbird. With a full-time job as the **DAILY BUGLE** science editor and his Aunt May to worry about, only Peter's daily patrols as **THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN** have given him any kind of comfort.

Things aren't going so well for **VENOM**, either. After months in space, the symbiote is back in New York and reunited with **EDDIE BROCK**, but its behavior has become erratic and now requires a unique serum to keep its violent impulses in check. In exchange for this serum, Venom has been covertly helping **ALCHEMAX**, a chemical conglomerate, control their experiments...

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PHILADELPHIA.
LAST WEEK.

BEEP
BEEP

HELLO, THIS
IS YOUR FRIENDLY
NEIGHBORHOOD
MANIA
SPEAKING.

I'M
CURRENTLY OUT
SAVING THE CITY,
BUT IF YOU'D LIKE
TO LEAVE A
MESSAGE--

HILARIOUS,
ANDI.

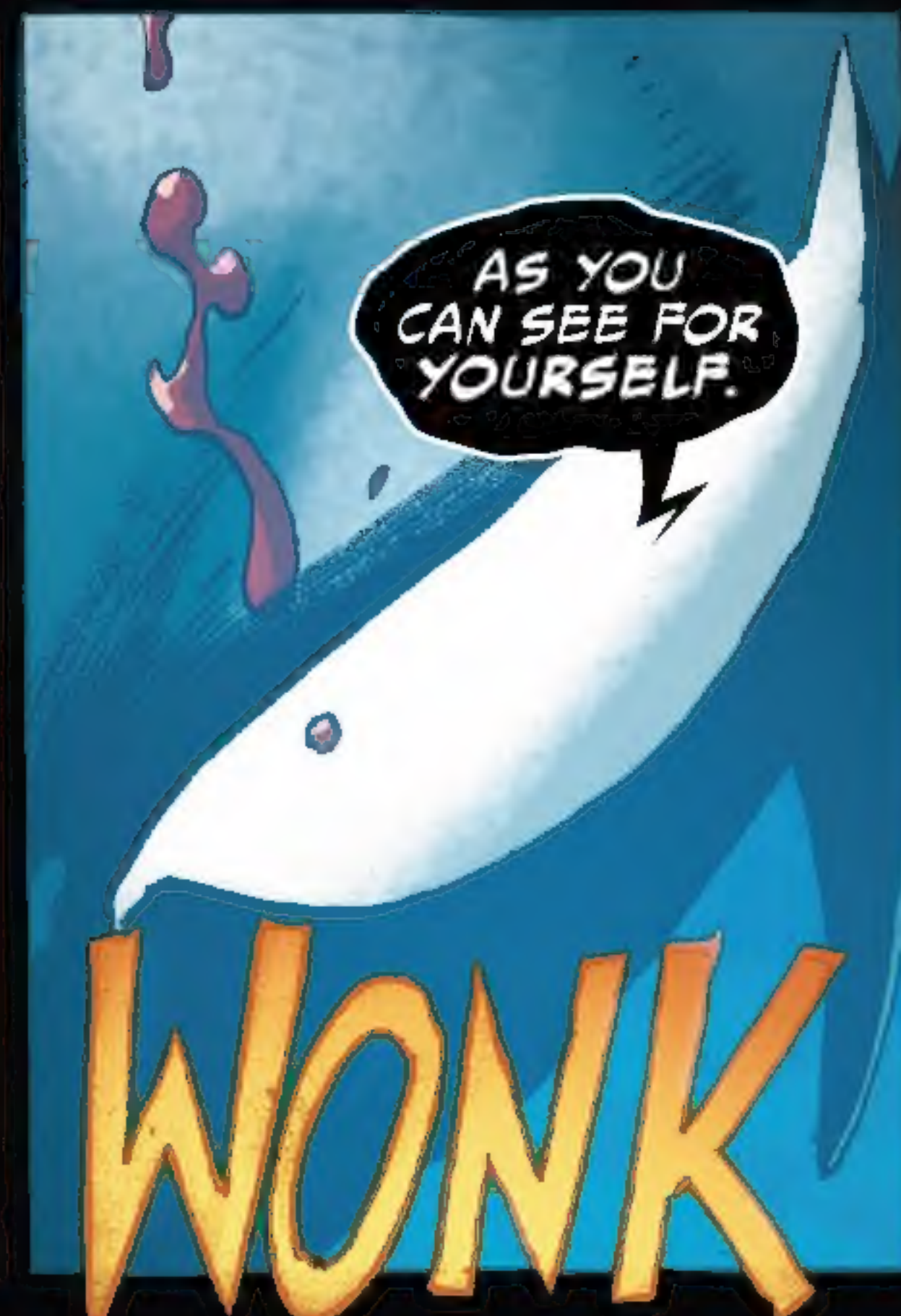
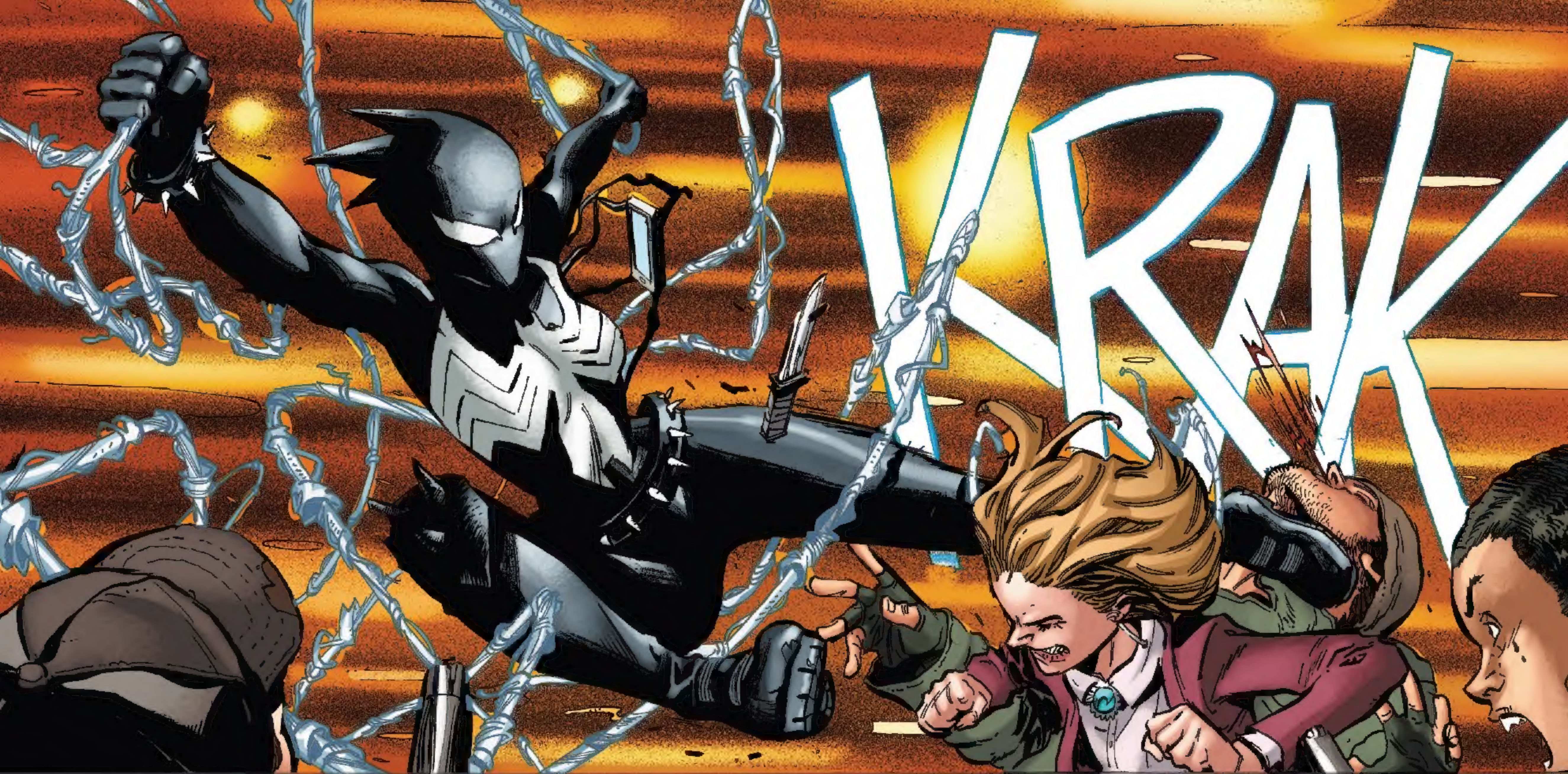
FLASH!
HOW'S
THE BIG
APPLE?

CROWDED.
I HAVEN'T LOCATED
MY SYMBIOTE YET.
BUT ONCE I DO, YOU
WON'T BE SWINGING
AROUND ALONE
DOWN THERE.

I CAN COME
UP AND HELP
YOU OUT. THESE
SYMBIOTES CAN
SENSE ONE
ANOTHER.

NO NEED.
A NEW VENOM'S
SHOWN UP HERE. HE'S
ALL OVER THE NEWS,
SO IT'S ONLY A
MATTER OF TIME
BEFORE--

HOLD THAT
THOUGHT. TIME
TO MAKE SOME
HEADLINES OF
MY OWN.

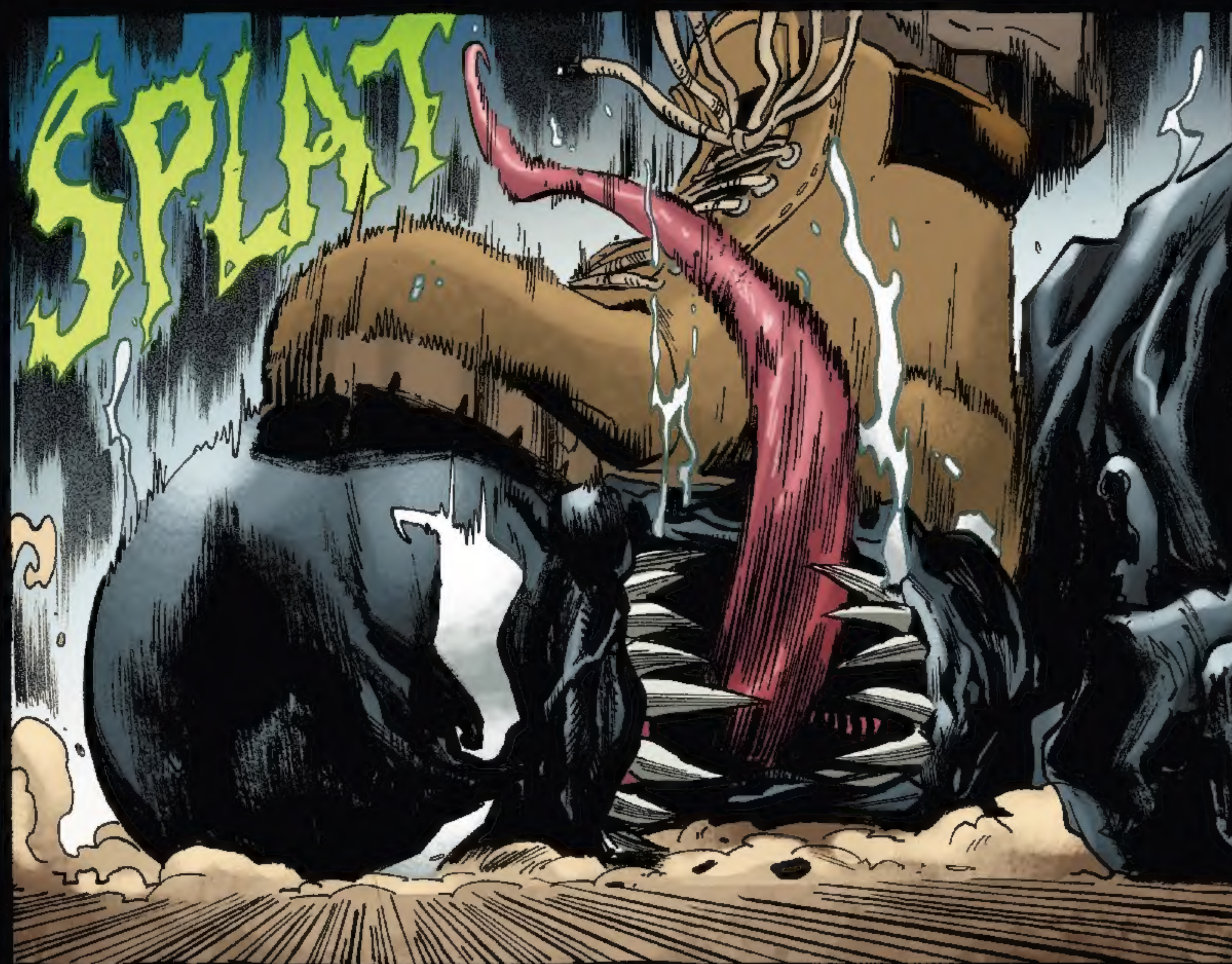
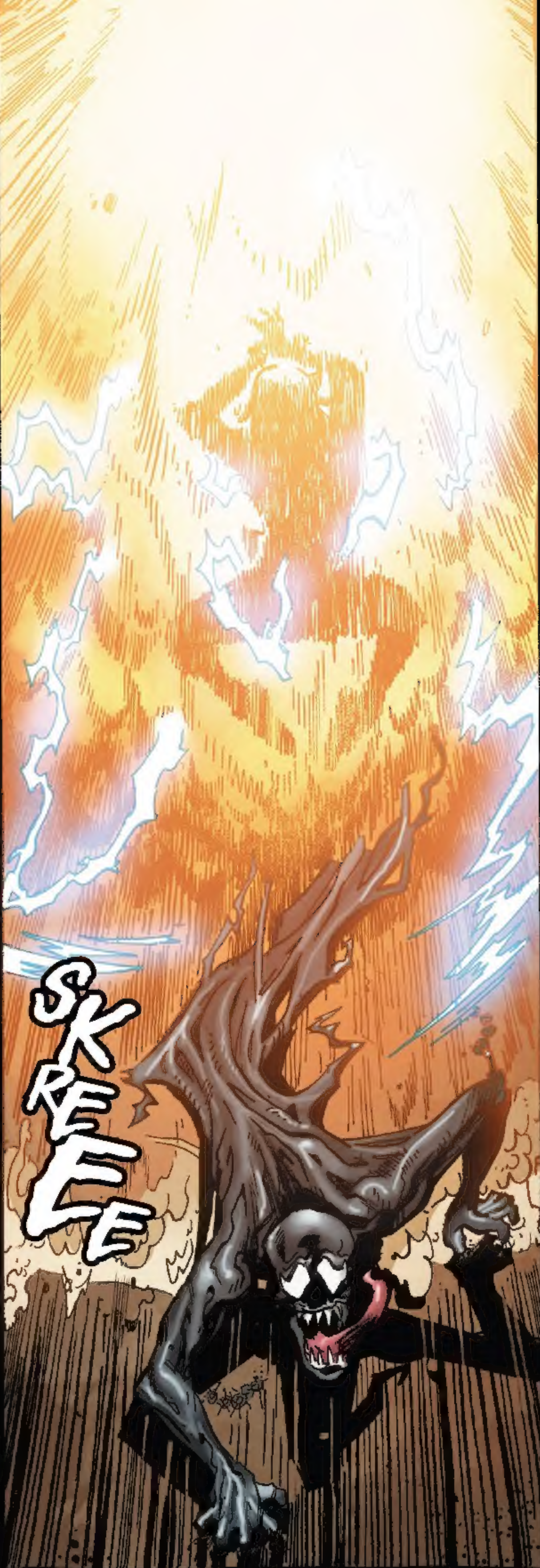


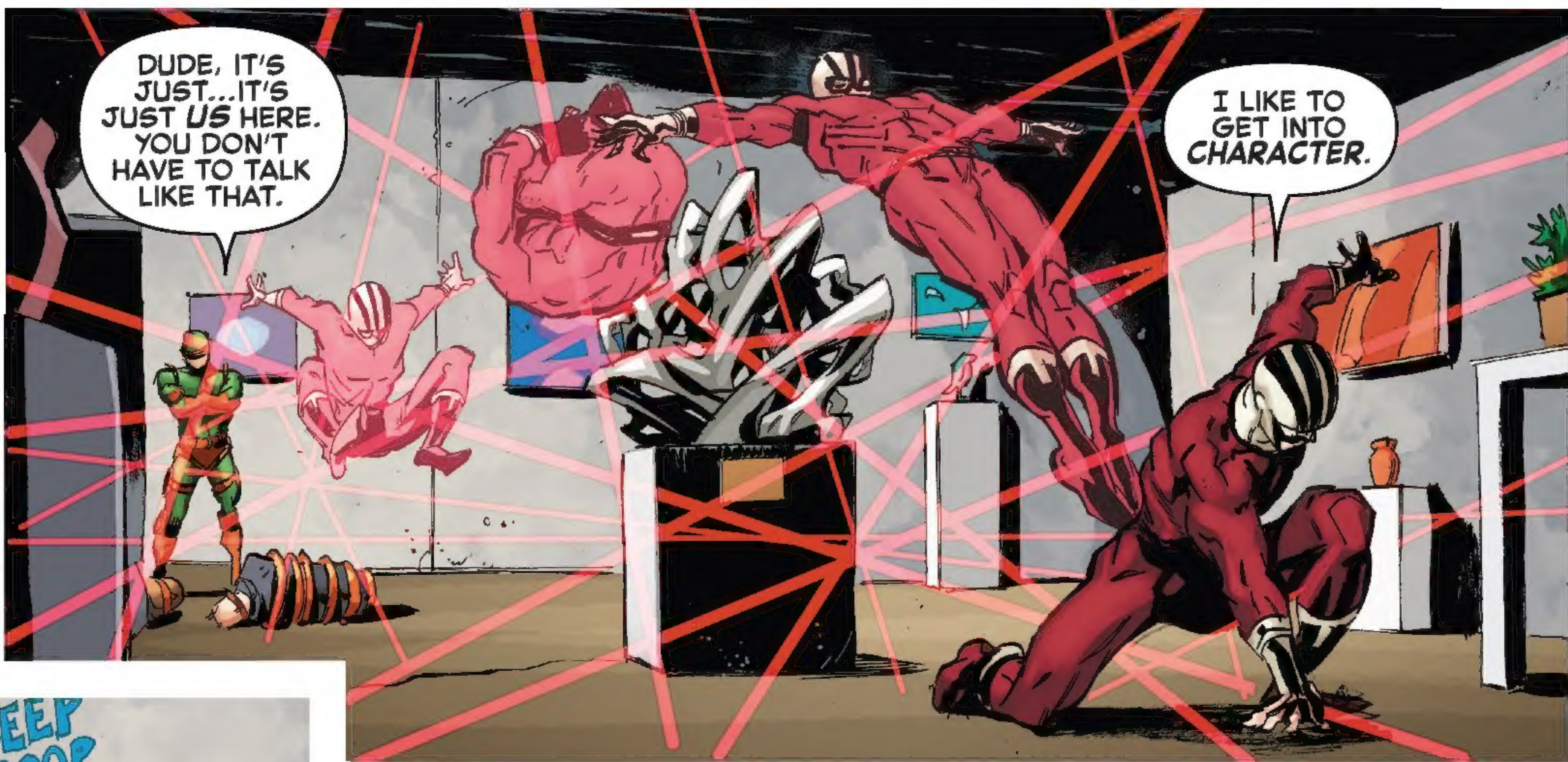




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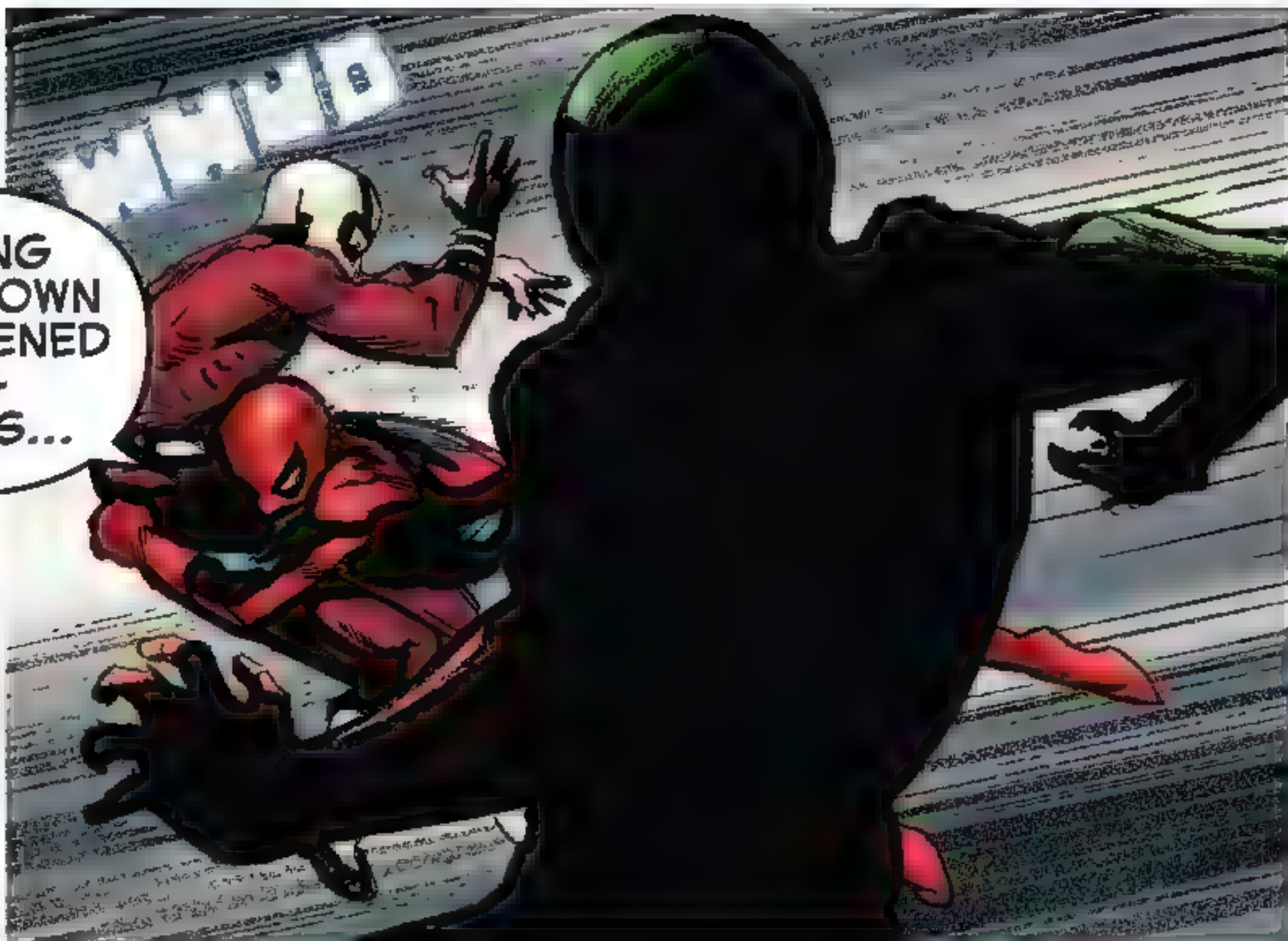


YOU GUYS
HAVE BEEN IN JAIL,
WHAT, 400 TIMES?
AND YOU'VE ALREADY
GOT FIVE
FAMILIES?

I'M GONNA
HAVE TO TALK
TO THE WARDEN
ABOUT YOUR
CONJUGAL
PRIVILEGES.



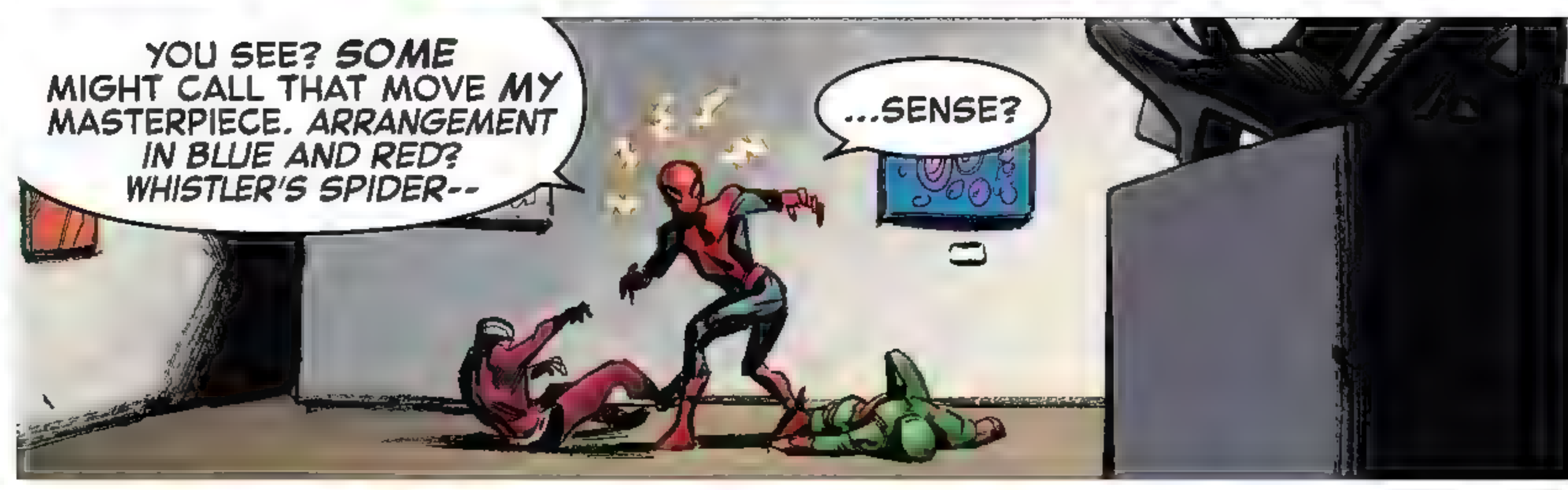
NOW I WANT YOU GUYS TO PAY ATTENTION, BECAUSE THIS IS GOING TO BE IMPRESSIVE.



I'M GOING TO TAKE DOWN TWO HARDENED SUPER-CRIMINALS...



...WITHOUT DAMAGING A SINGLE PIECE OF ART.

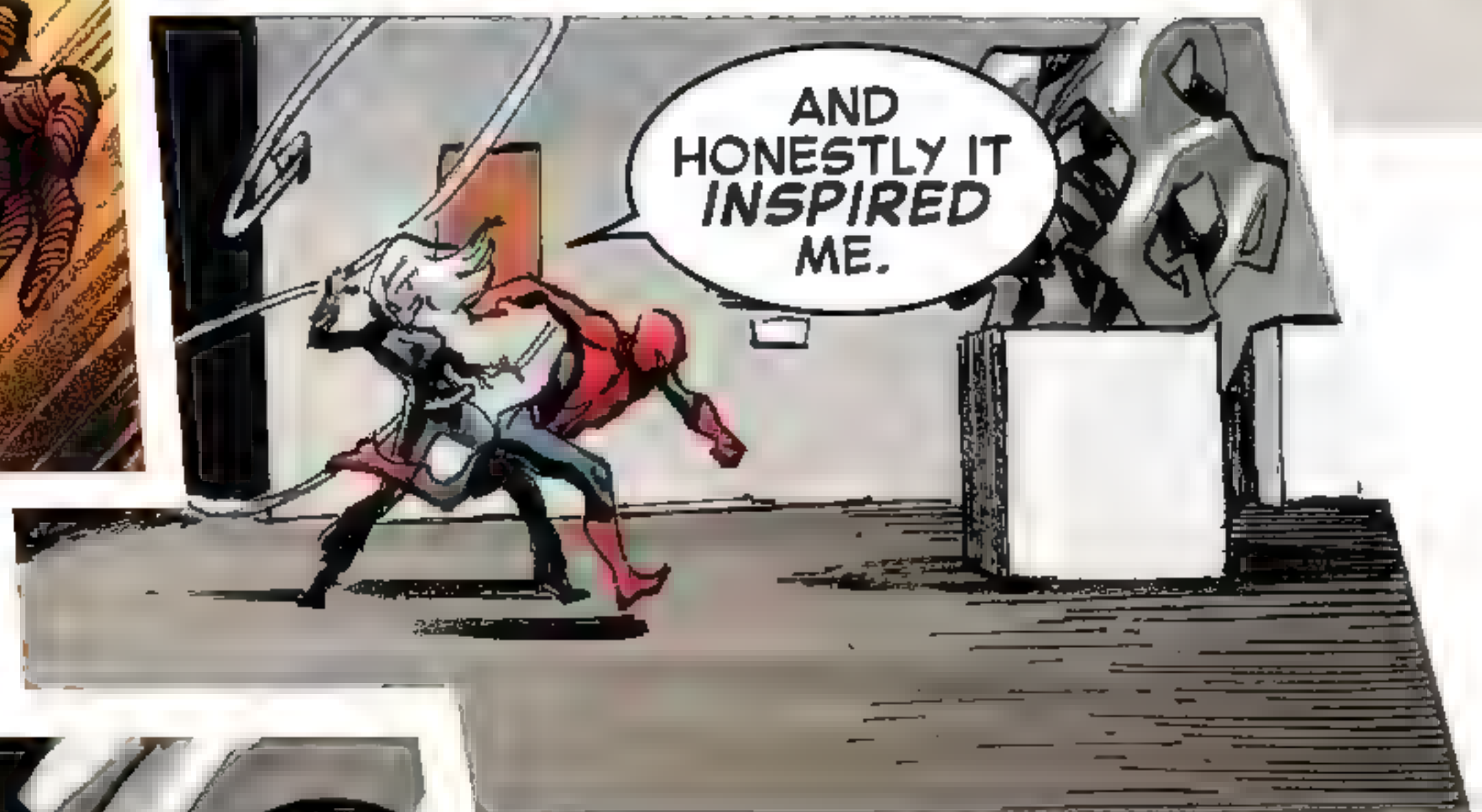


YOU SEE? SOME MIGHT CALL THAT MOVE MY MASTERPIECE. ARRANGEMENT IN BLUE AND RED? WHISTLER'S SPIDER--

...SENSE?



GYAHH!





SORRY I MISSED YOUR CALL LAST NIGHT, FLASH. FRANKLY, I'M SURPRISED YOU WANT TO BE SEEN IN **PUBLIC** WITH ME. I'M THE WORLD'S BIGGEST **PARIAH** RIGHT NOW.

PETE, WE'RE **FRIENDS**. A COUPLE **BAD HEADLINES** AREN'T GOING TO KEEP ME AWAY.

PLUS... I ADMIT I NEED YOUR **HELP**. I WAS HOPING YOU COULD REACH OUT TO **SPIDER-MAN** FOR ME.

BEAR WITH ME. IT'S COMPLICATED. YOU KNOW I WAS **AGENT VENOM** FOR A WHILE, BONDED WITH **SPIDEY'S OLD SYMBIOTE**.

WELL, SOMEONE **STOLE** THAT SUIT FROM ME A WHILE BACK.

AND I'M WORRIED THEY **STOLE** ANOTHER ONE OFF A HERO NAMED **MANIA** IN PHILLY LAST WEEK.



I JUST GOT BACK FROM THERE YESTERDAY. **MANIA**, MY FRIEND, AND-- SHE'S IN THE **HOSPITAL**.

SHE DIDN'T KNOW WHO ATTACKED HER, BUT THEY'RE DEFINITELY NOT ONE OF THE **GOOD GUYS**.

I'M **WORRIED**, PETE. I THINK SOMETHING **BAD'S** GONNA HAPPEN WITH THESE SUITS. I **HAVE** TO GET 'EM BACK. AND I THINK **SPIDEY** WILL AGREE. BUT I DON'T JUST EXPECT HIM TO CLEAN UP MY MESS-- I'VE GOT A LEAD.

SINCE I WAS BONDED WITH MY SUIT FOR SO LONG, THERE ARE STILL TRACES OF IT IN ME. I CAN USE 'EM LIKE A KINDA **SIXTH SENSE** TO TRACK IT DOWN.

AND IT'S STILL HERE IN NEW YORK. I CAN **FEEL** IT.

I DON'T KNOW, FLASH. YOU DON'T HAVE POWERS ANYMORE. THIS IS **DANGEROUS** FOR A CIVILIAN.

NOT SURE THAT I'M A "CIVILIAN," BUT THAT'S WHY I WAS THINKING **SPIDEY** COULD HELP ME GET IT BACK.



BACK?! IF I KNOW **SPIDEY**, HE'D PROBABLY WANT TO **DESTROY** THAT THING.

DESTROY IT?! **VENOM'S** NOT--GEEZ, SOMETHING MUST BE WRONG WITH **SPIDEY** IF YOU THINK HE'D BE FINE DESTROYING A LIVING THING.

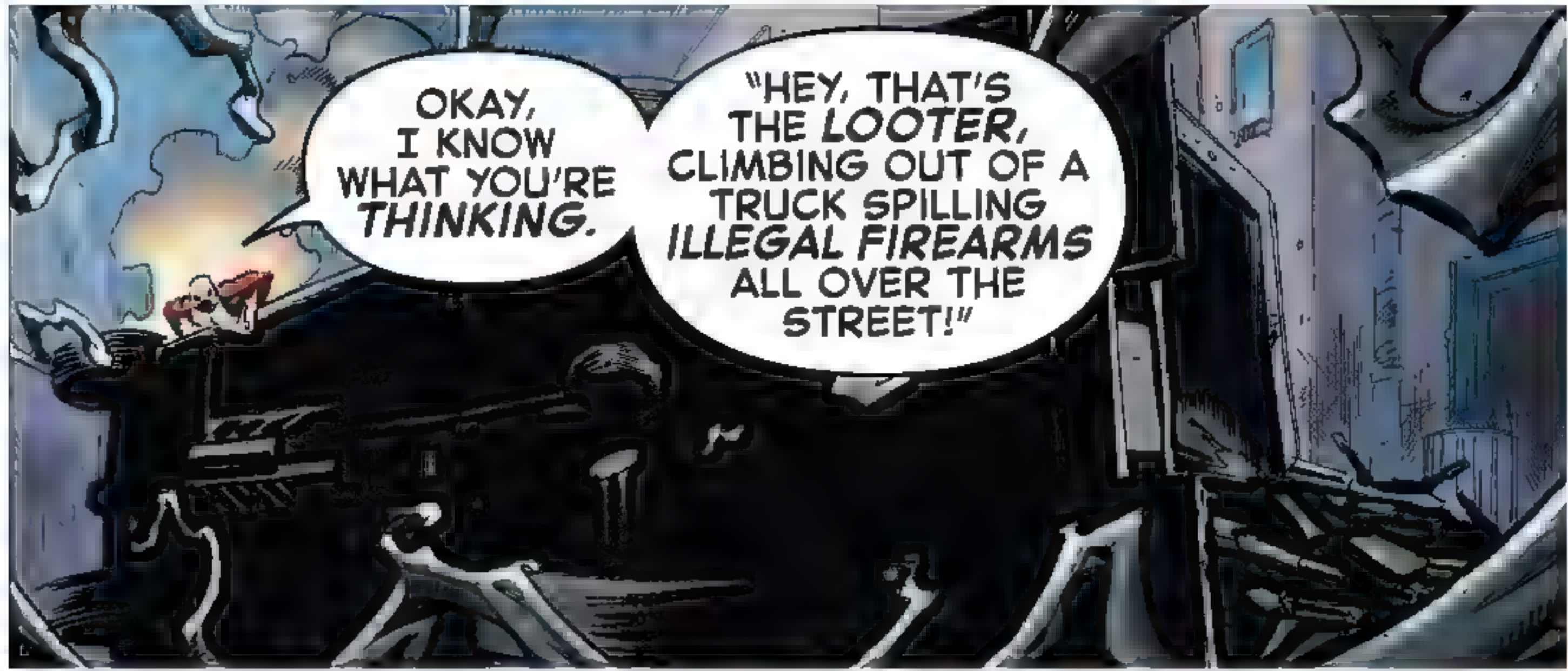
IT'S NOT THAT SIMPLE. FROM WHAT **SPIDER-MAN** TOLD--

'NUFF SAID, PETE. MAYBE **DON'T** TELL HIM. BUT THANKS FOR HEARING ME **OUT**. YOU'RE A **GOOD FRIEND**.

ANYTIME, **BUD**.

SEE YOU **AROUND**.





OKAY,
I KNOW
WHAT YOU'RE
THINKING.

"HEY, THAT'S
THE LOOTER,
CLIMBING OUT OF A
TRUCK SPILLING
ILLEGAL FIREARMS
ALL OVER THE
STREET!"



I MEAN...
IT LOOKS BAD,
BUT I SWEAR
THEY'RE FAKE.
I--

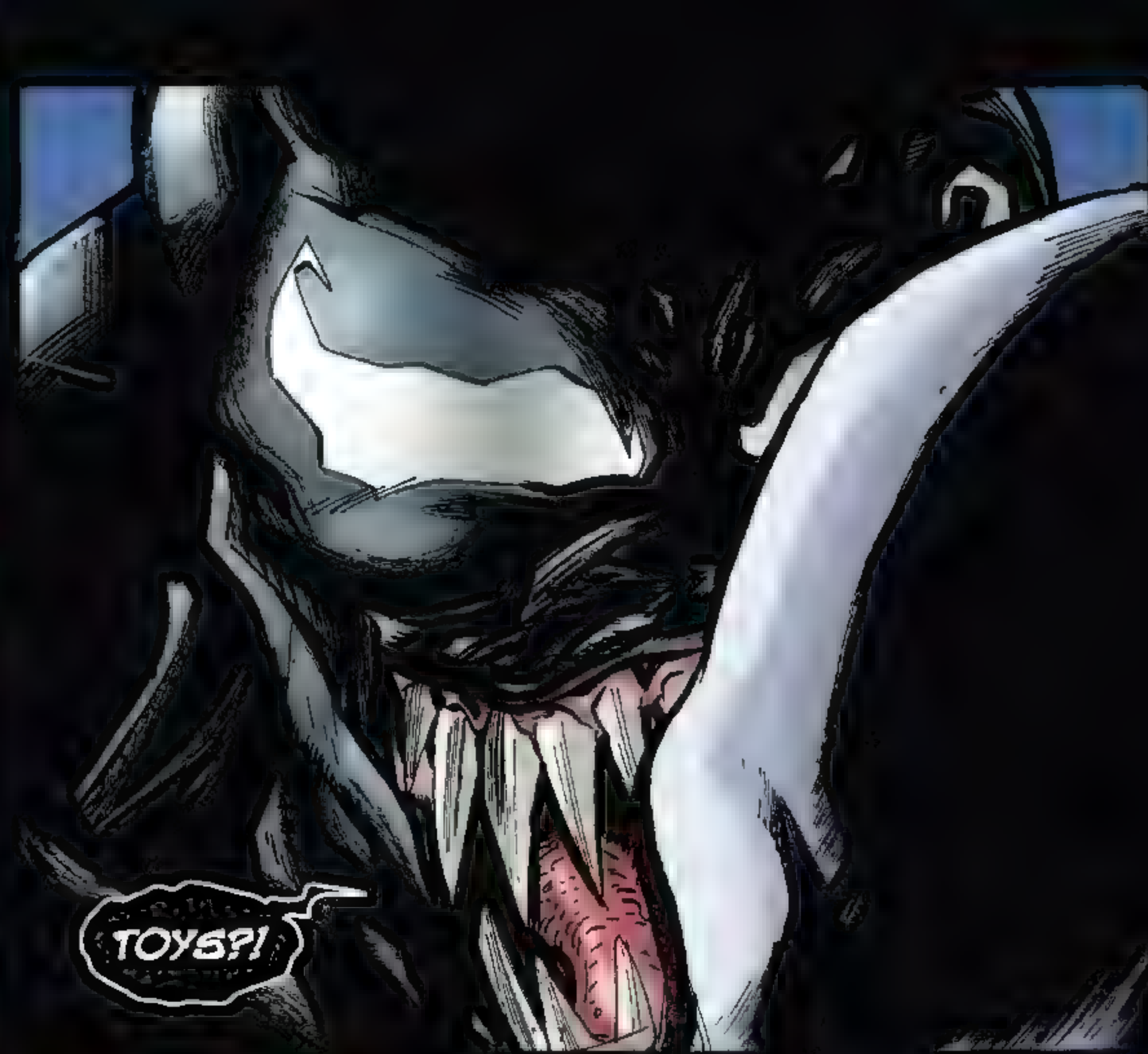
YOU WERE
ALWAYS SMALL-TIME,
NORTON. BUT TONIGHT
YOU GRADUATED UP. YOU'RE A
MERCHANT OF DEATH,
AND WE WILL MAKE
YOU PAY.





LOOK AT 'EM! THEY'RE NOT REAL! THEY'RE FAKES! TOYS!

THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE BRIGHTLY COLORED SO NO ONE CONFUSES 'EM, BUT I--



TOYS?!



YEAH. I PAINTED 'EM BLACK. GUYS USE 'EM FOR STICK-UPS. AND IF THEY'RE BUSTED, THEY CAN SAY THEY WEREN'T CARRYING...

LOOK AT ME, MAN! I WET MYSELF HERE!

YOU DID, AND THAT'S GOOD. FEAR IS A POWERFUL TEACHER. FEAR AND PRISON.

THUD



BUT DEAD-- DEAD IS BETTER!

AARRGGG!



NO!
STOP!

HE'S LOW-
LIFE SCUM,
EDDIE!



HE'S AN
IDIOT! WE
DON'T NEED
TO MURDER
IDIOTS.

WE COULD ALWAYS
PRETEND THEY
WERE REAL GUNS!
WHO'D CARE?!



NO!

Y-Y-YOU'RE
INSANE!



ENOUGH!
STOP IT!

WHAT'S
GOTTEN INTO
YOU?!



WELL,
WHATEVER
IT IS--

--IT'S NOT
GETTING
INTO ME!

C'MON.
I KNOW
WHERE WE
NEED TO
GO.



NOT HERE
AGAIN,
EDDIE!

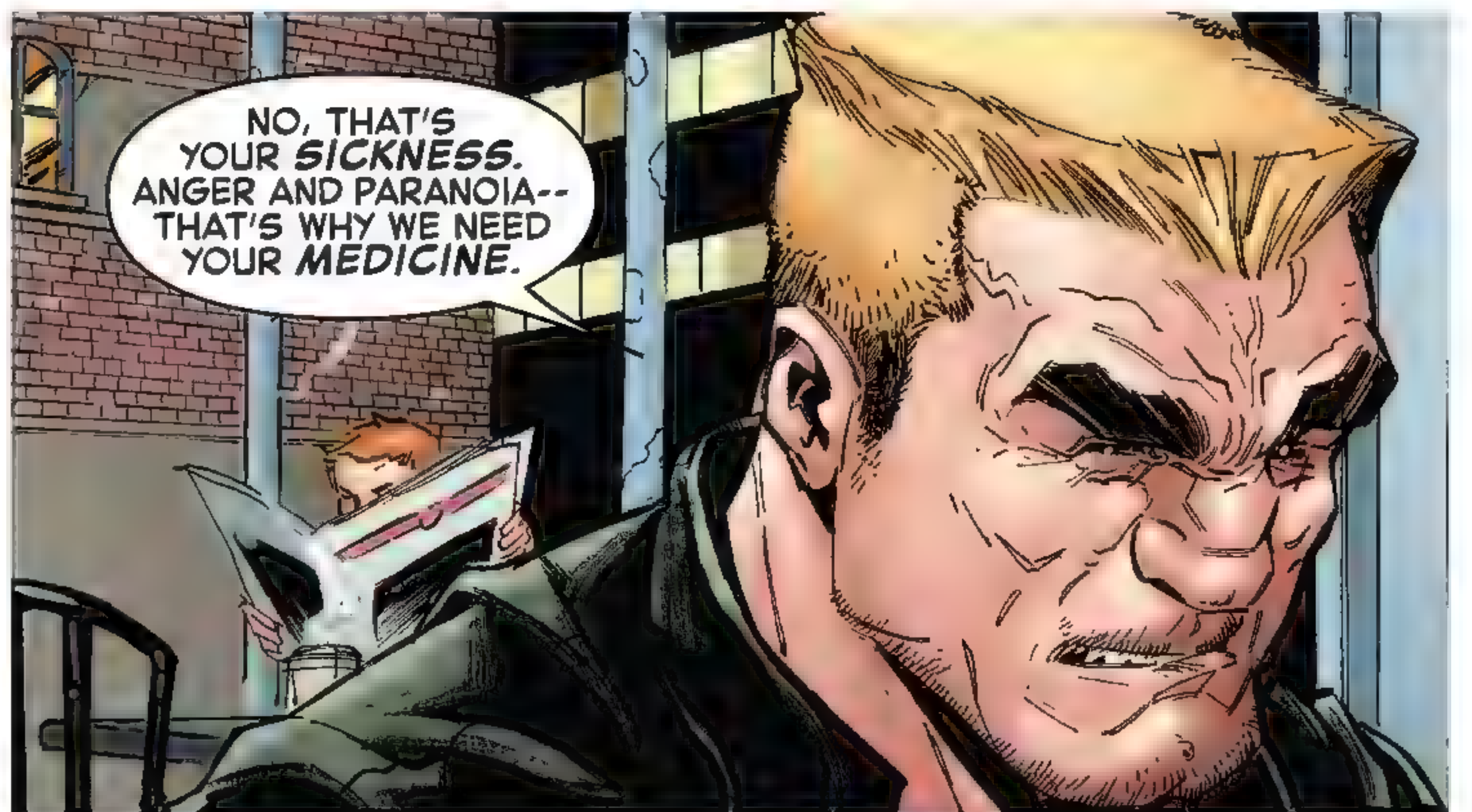
DON'T LIKE
THIS PLACE.
POKE ME!
TEST ME!

WE'RE NOT
HERE FOR
TESTS, WE NEED
NEW MEDICINE
FOR YOU.

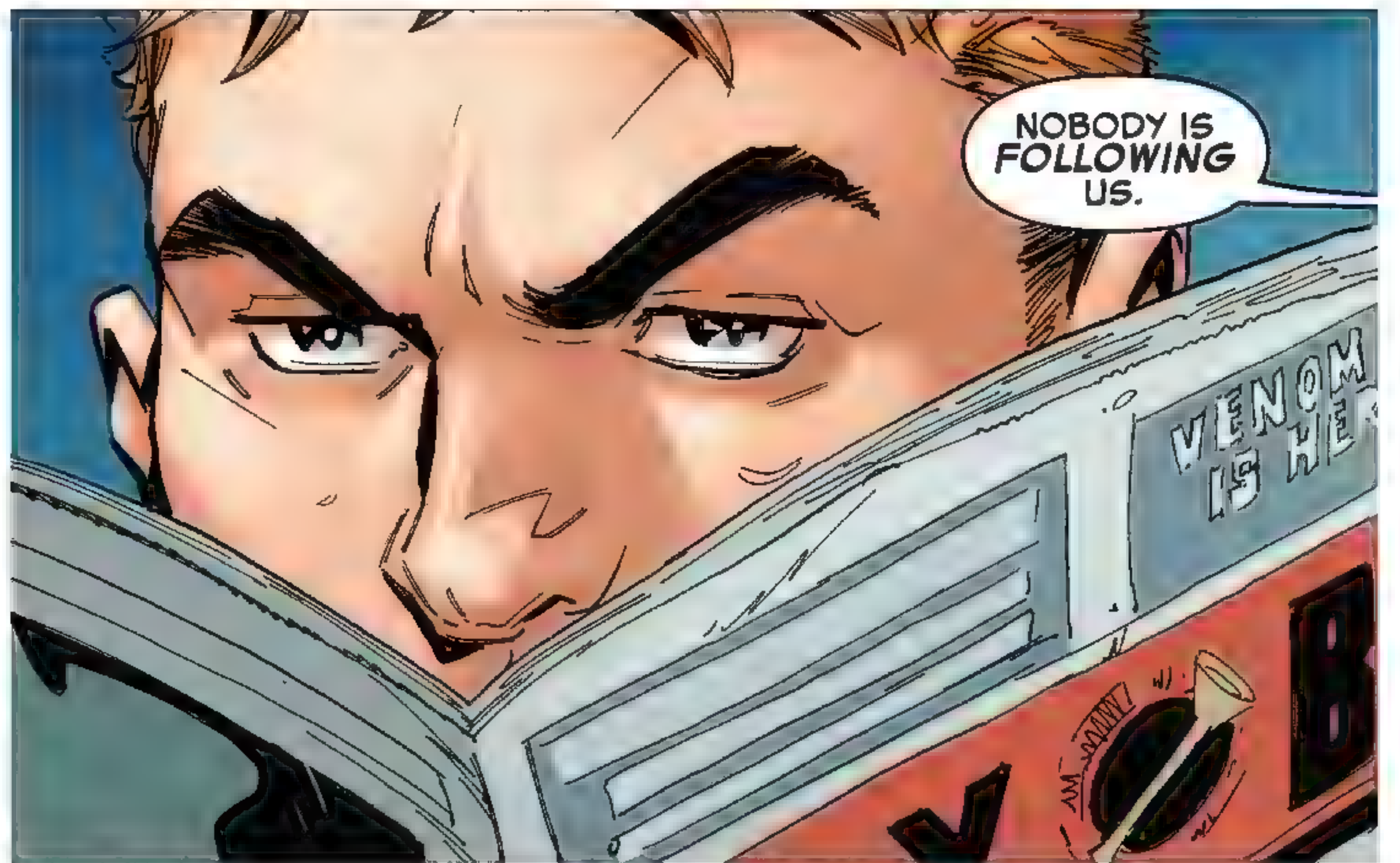


NOT **SAFE**
HERE, EDDIE.

THINK WE'RE
BEING WATCHED...
FOLLOWED.



NO, THAT'S
YOUR **SICKNESS**.
ANGER AND PARANOIA--
THAT'S WHY WE NEED
YOUR **MEDICINE**.



NOBODY IS
FOLLOWING
US.



HI, I'M
HERE TO SEE
LIZ ALLAN.

LIZ ALLAN,
OUR C.E.O.?
SHE **ABSOLUTELY**
TAKES WALK-IN
APPOINTMENTS.

WE WENT TO
HIGH SCHOOL
TOGETHER. THIS IS
A **SURPRISE** VISIT.
EVERYBODY LIKES
SURPRISES, RIGHT?
YOU LOOK LIKE A GUY
WITH A LOT OF JOY
IN YOUR LIFE.



VERY
DISAPPOINTING,
DUDE! VERY
DISAPPOINTING!

MY PAL, LIZ,
IS GOING TO
HEAR ABOUT
THIS.

I'VE GOT
ALL OF YOUR
NAMES! CHET! COLLIN!
HUGO! ESPECIALLY
YOU, HUGO! I GOT
YOUR NAME,
PAL!



I GOT
YOUR
NAME!



AAAAND
I GOT YOUR
PASS.



THAT'S
HOW YOU GET
IN THE BACK
DOOR.



THANK YOU,
AVENGERS TRAINING.
I'LL HAVE TO TELL
ROMANOFF ABOUT
THIS ONE.

SPIDER-
TRACERS WITH
FULL AUDIO
CAPABILITY.



THREE
GRAND A POP,
SO I CAN HEAR
FLASH FANTASIZE
ABOUT BRAGGING
TO BLACK
WIDOW.

WAY
BETTER THAN
RENT MONEY. YUP.
DON'T REGRET
THESE DECISIONS
AT ALL.

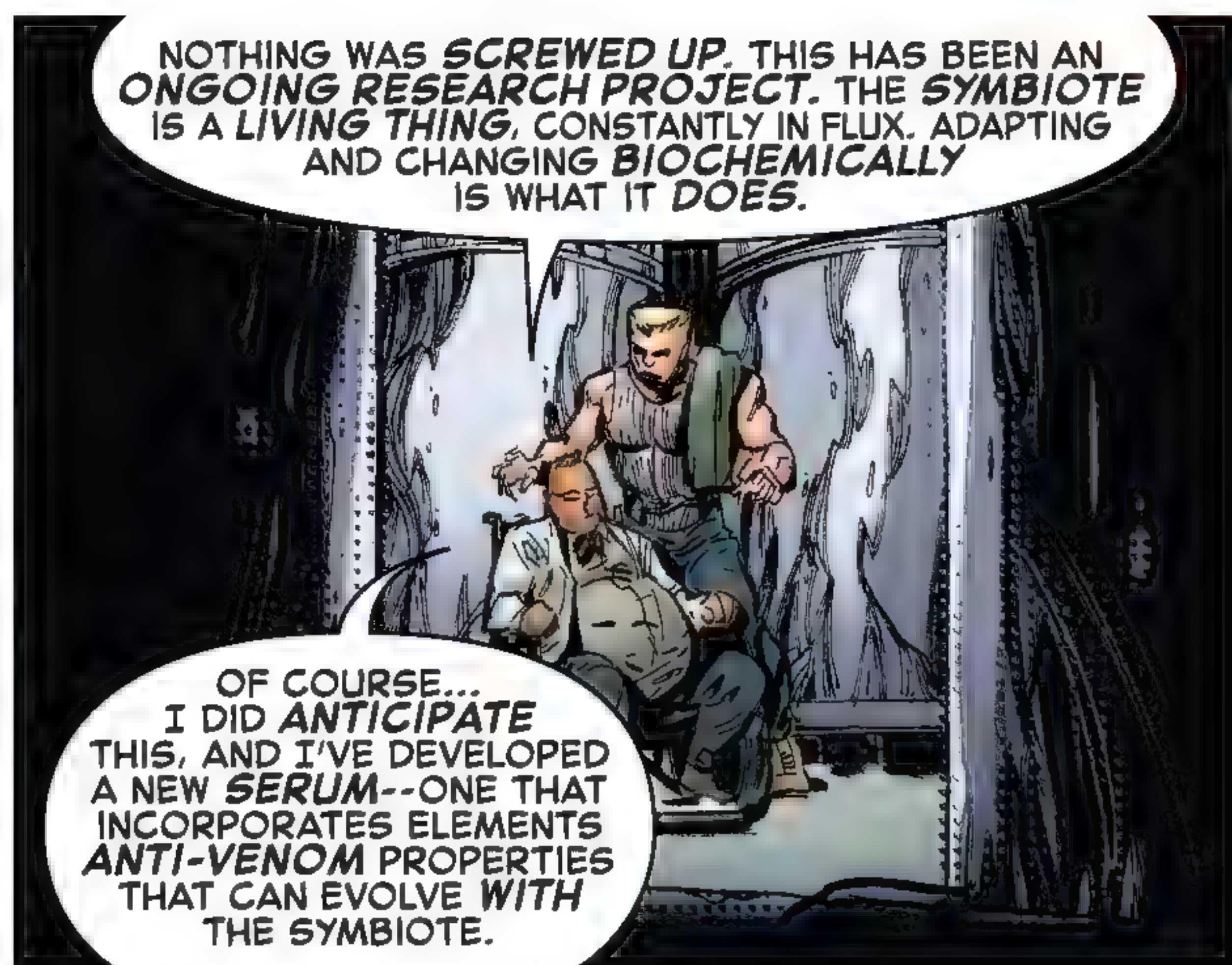


DOC, YOU ASSURED ME THIS KIND OF OUTBURST WOULDN'T HAPPEN IF I KEPT TO A REGULAR TREATMENT SCHEDULE.

"ASSURED" IS NOT ACCURATE. IF YOU HAVE TROUBLE KEEPING TRACK OF OUR CONVERSATIONS, PERHAPS WRITING THEM DOWN WILL HELP AVOID CONFUSION IN THE FUTURE.



"IMPLIED," THEN. AS IN, "THE THREAT OF VIOLENCE IS IMPLIED, IF YOU DON'T GET A BETTER ATTITUDE ABOUT THIS AND FIX WHAT YOU'VE SCREWED UP."



NOTHING WAS SCREWED UP. THIS HAS BEEN AN ONGOING RESEARCH PROJECT. THE SYMBIOTE IS A LIVING THING, CONSTANTLY IN FLUX. ADAPTING AND CHANGING BIOCHEMICALLY IS WHAT IT DOES.

OF COURSE... I DID ANTICIPATE THIS, AND I'VE DEVELOPED A NEW SERUM--ONE THAT INCORPORATES ELEMENTS ANTI-VENOM PROPERTIES THAT CAN EVOLVE WITH THE SYMBIOTE.



FOR A CURE, YOU'VE CERTAINLY MADE A LOT OF IT.

MAKING GALLONS WAS ACTUALLY EASIER THAN SIMPLY MAKING A CUPFUL. PLUS, IT WILL BE USEFUL TO HAVE A LARGE SAMPLE SIZE LEFT IF IT ACCIDENTALLY ENDS UP KILLING THE SYMBIOTE.



WHAT?
ARE YOU INSANE?

WELL, WITHOUT A SAMPLE TO TEST IT ON, WE CAN'T BE ABSOLUTELY SURE IT'S NOT HARMFUL TO THE CREATURE--

DON'T WORRY...



...I'M HERE NOW. AND NOBODY IS GOING TO HARM THAT SYMBIOTE EVER AGAIN.

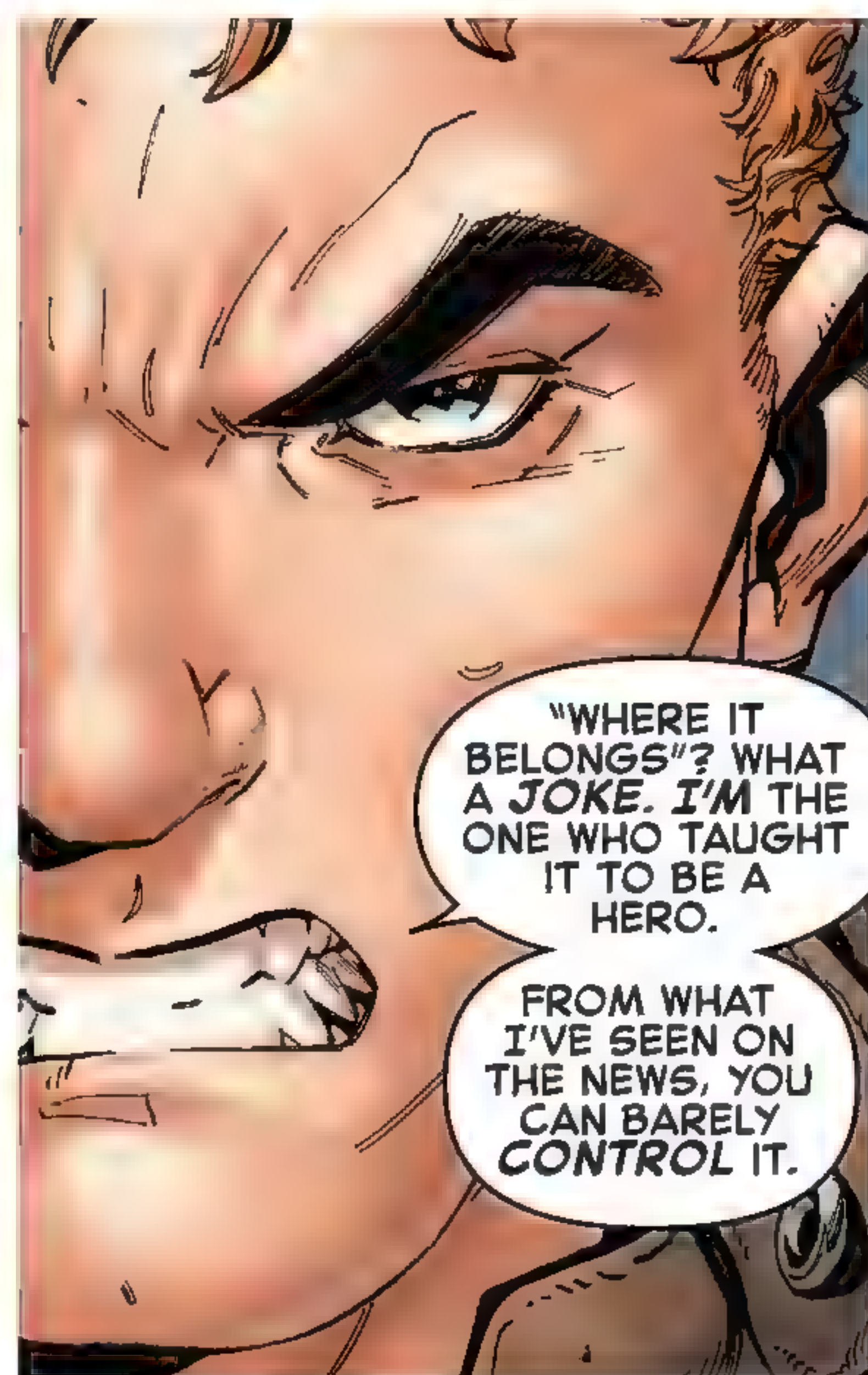


THOMPSON! I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING HERE, SOLDIER-BOY...

...BUT THE SYMBIOTE IS BACK WHERE IT BELONGS.

WITH ME.

THINK I'LL CALL SECURITY...



"WHERE IT BELONGS"? WHAT A JOKE. I'M THE ONE WHO TAUGHT IT TO BE A HERO.

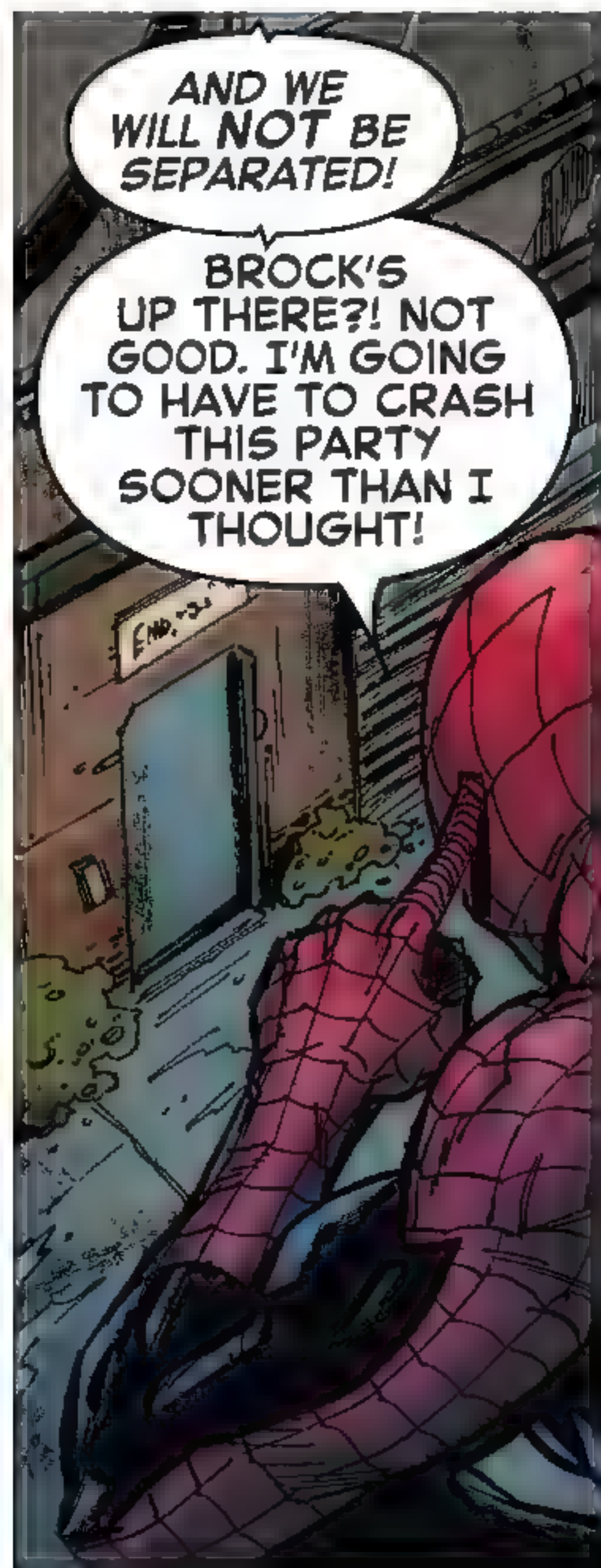
FROM WHAT I'VE SEEN ON THE NEWS, YOU CAN BARELY CONTROL IT.

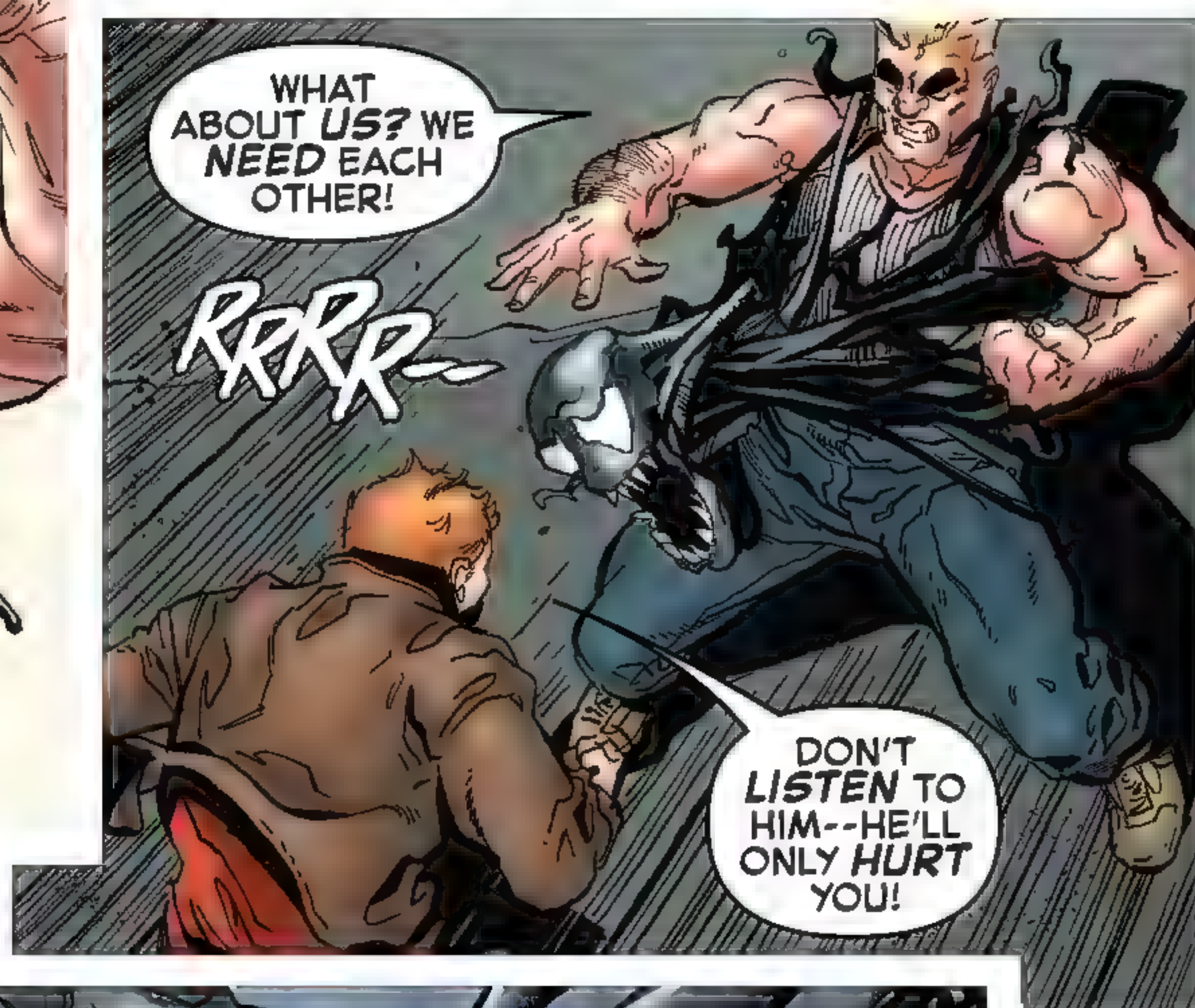
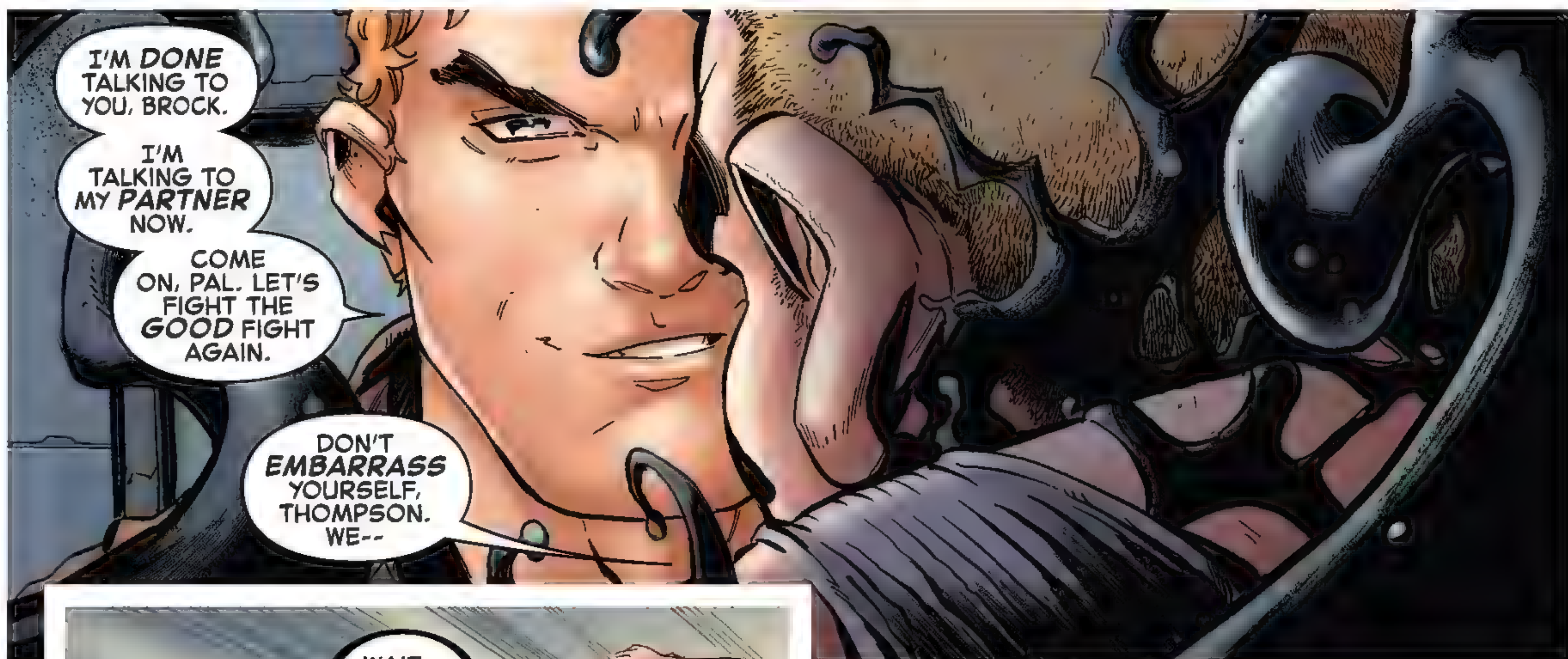


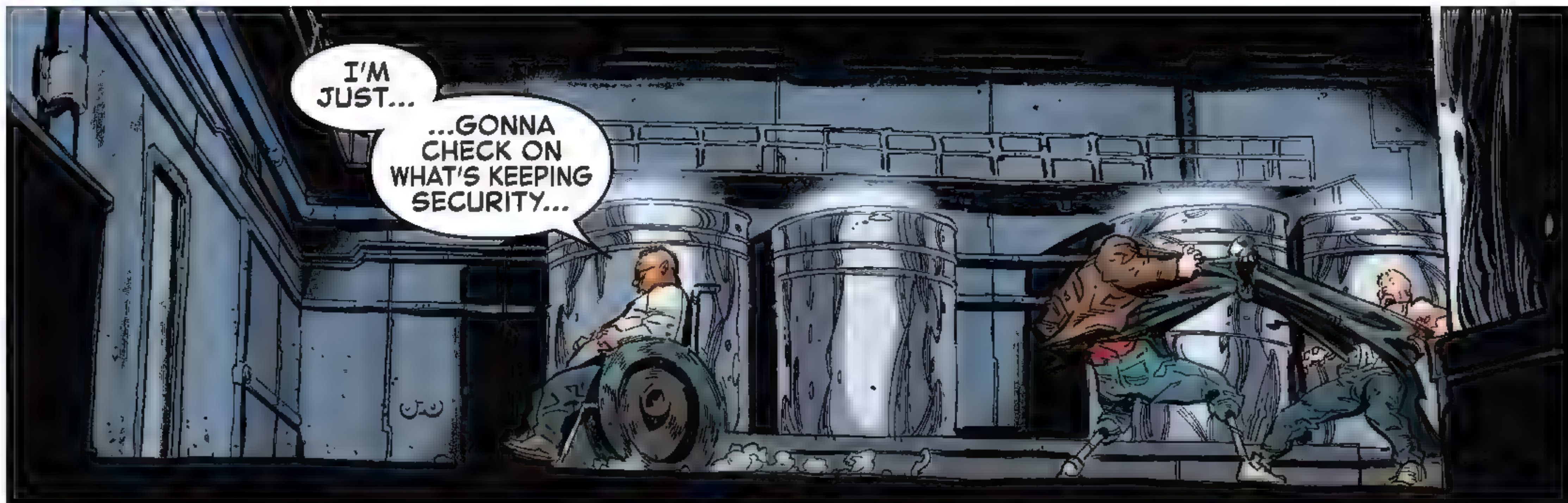
THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE WRONG. IT'S NOT ABOUT CONTROL, OR FOLLOWING ORDERS LIKE A SOLDIER.

IT'S ABOUT US. WE.

WE ARE VENOM!

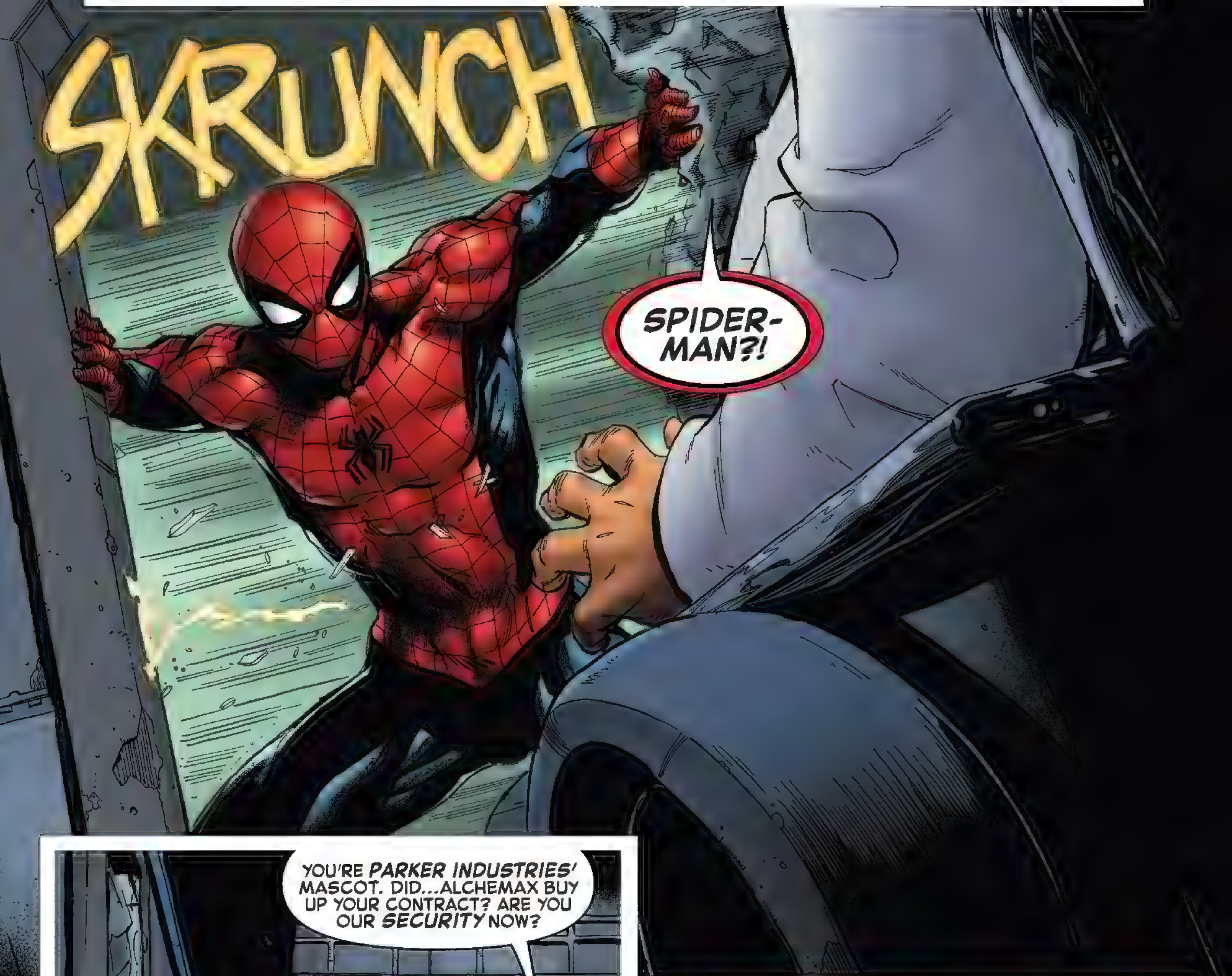






I'M JUST...

...GONNA CHECK ON WHAT'S KEEPING SECURITY...



SPIDER-MAN?!



YOU'RE PARKER INDUSTRIES' MASCOT. DID...ALCHEMAX BUY UP YOUR CONTRACT? ARE YOU OUR **SECURITY** NOW?

AM I WHAT?!

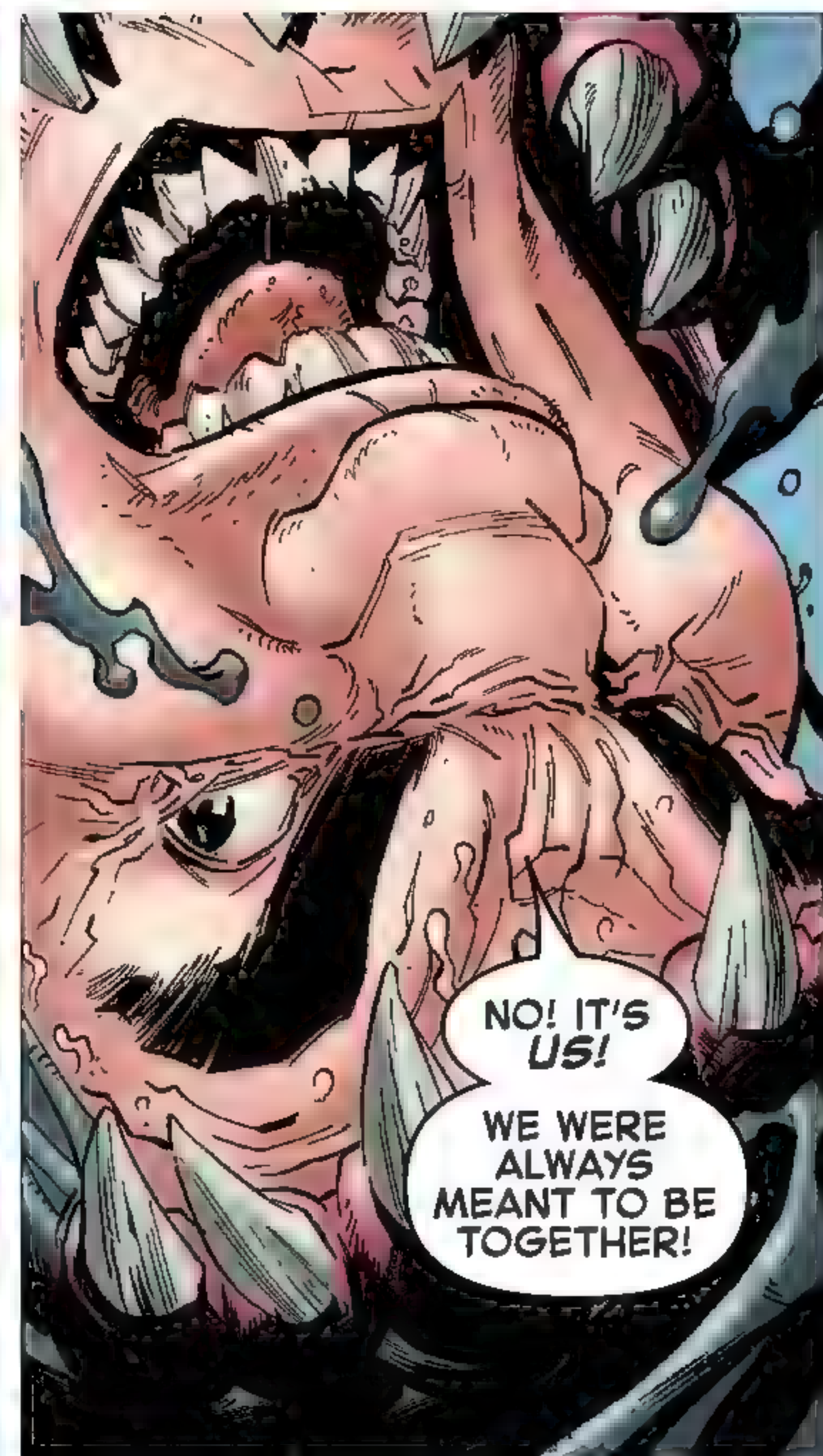
LOOK, I'M HERE BECAUSE MY **BEST FRIEND** AND MY **WORST ENEMY** ARE TURNING YOUR LAB INTO A **CRONENBERG** FILM.

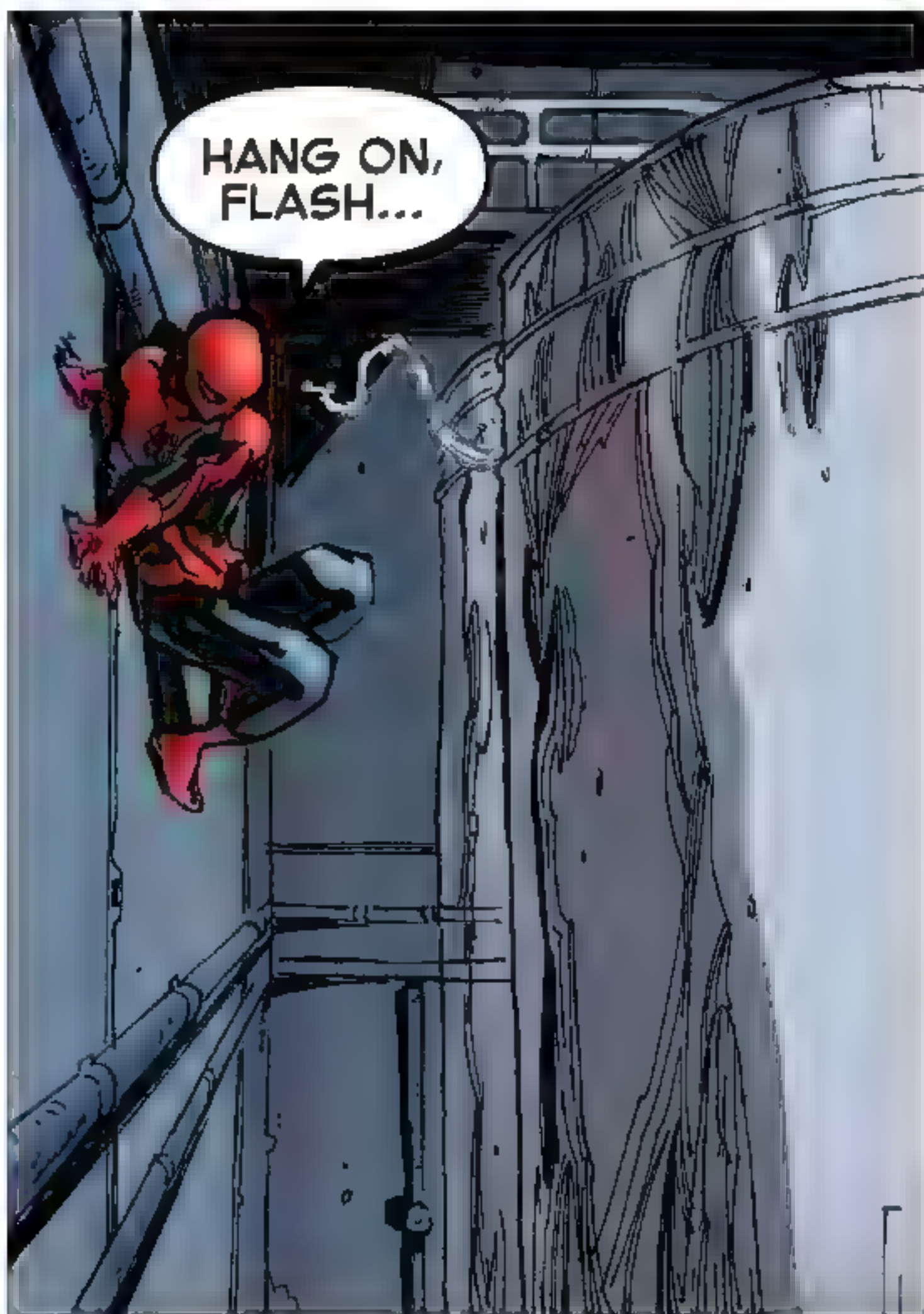


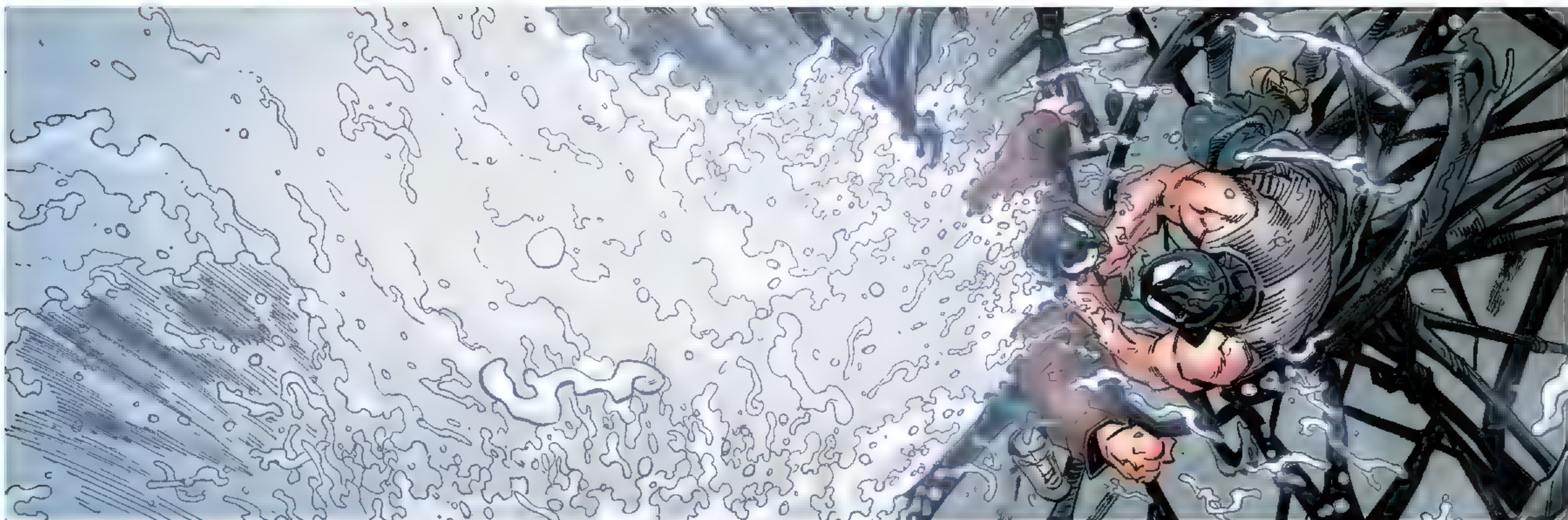
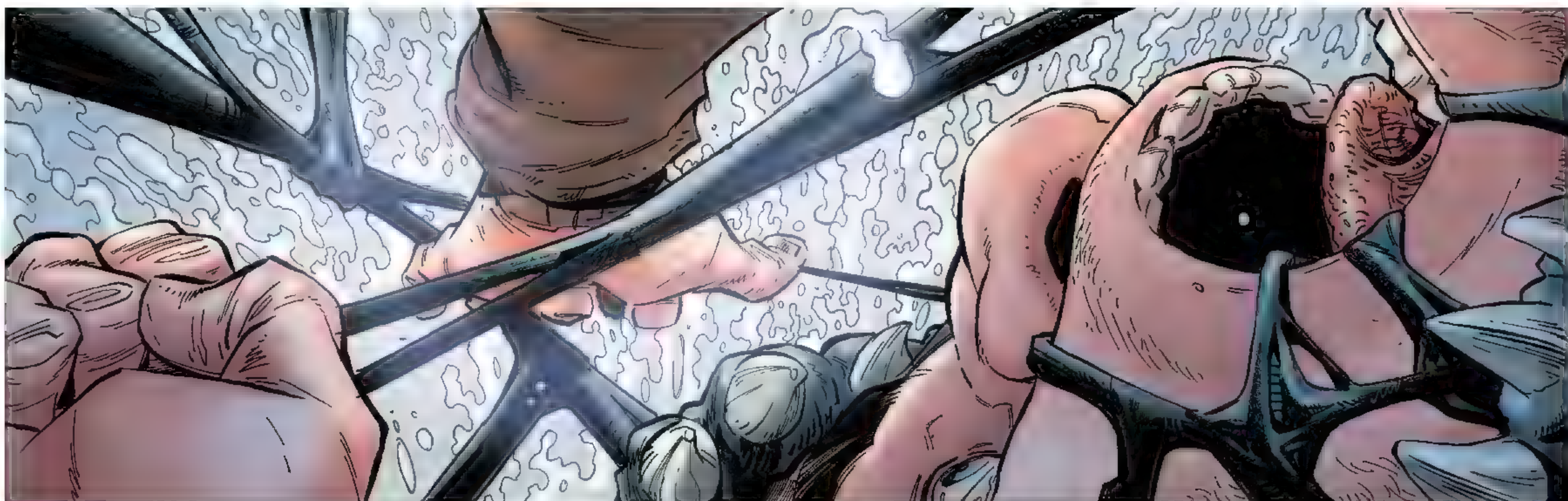
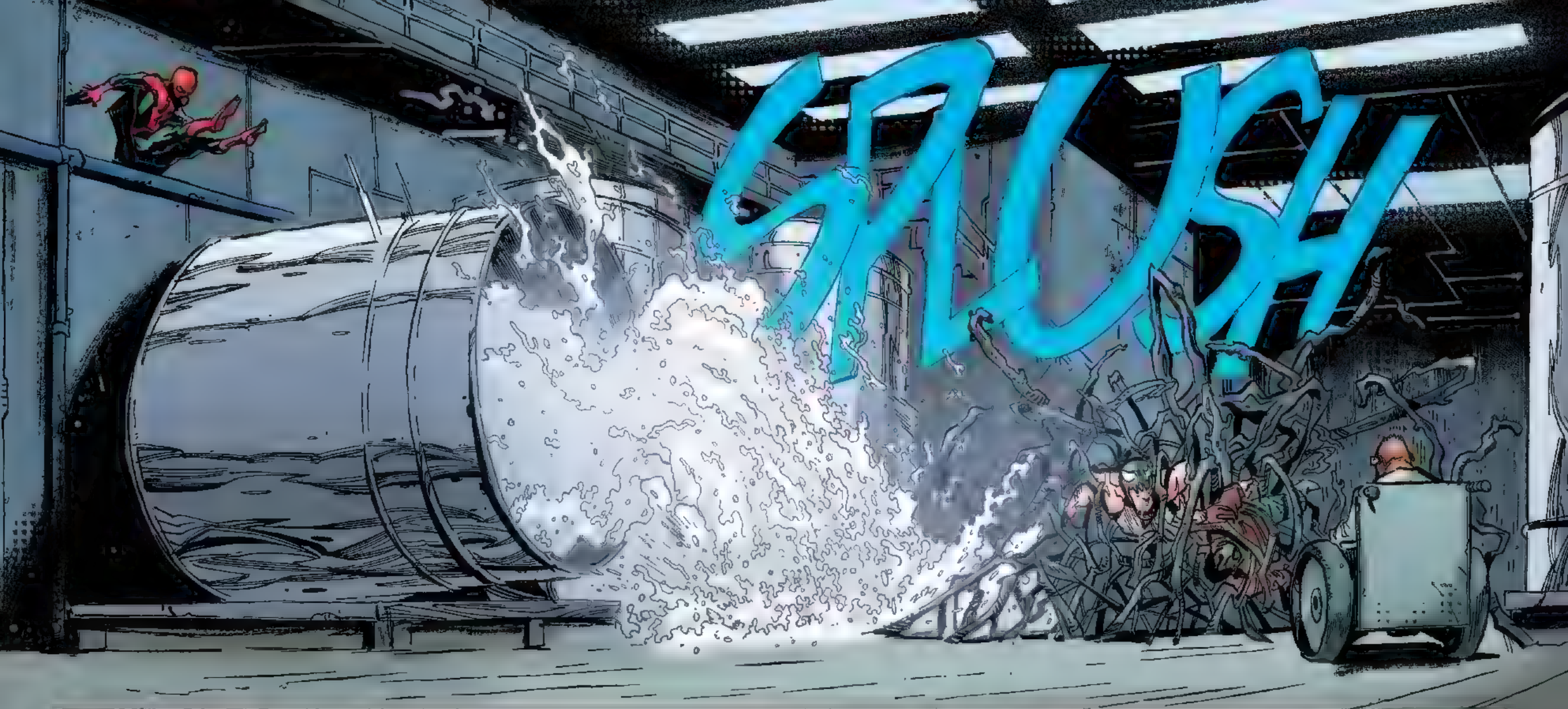
WEIRD BUT TRUE.



OH.
RIGHT.







FLASH!
YOU OKAY,
BUDDY?

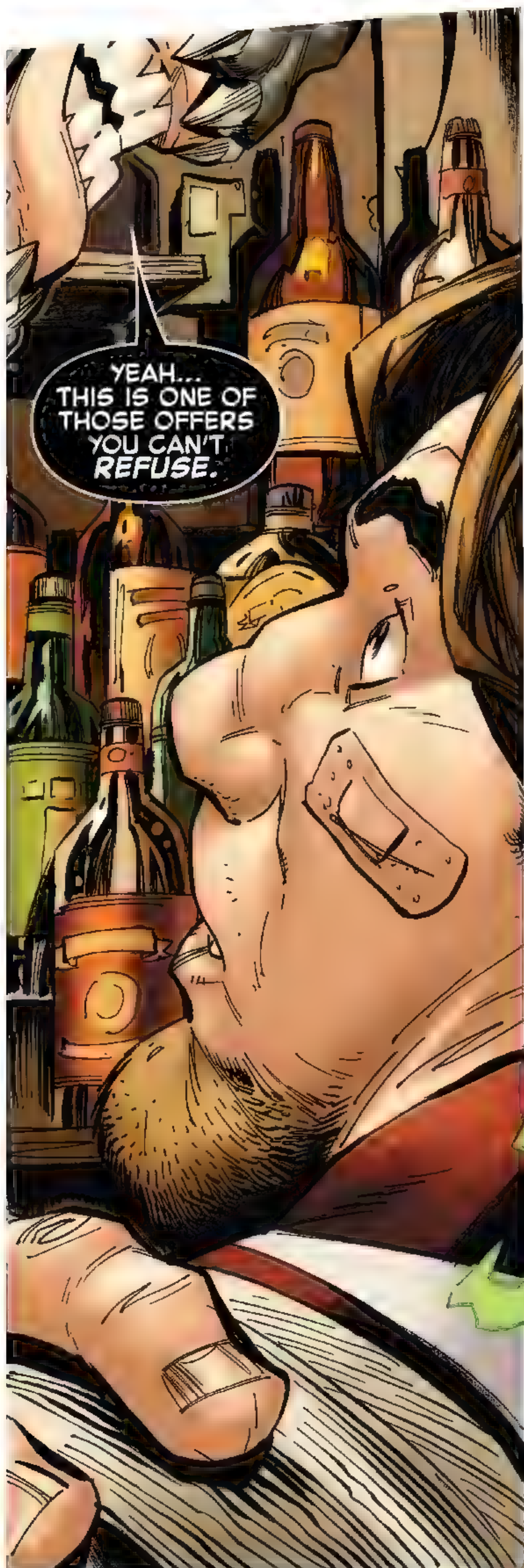
AND
NOT
VENOM?

YEAH...I'M
GOOD. AND
NOT VENOM. SO
NOT VENOM. IN
FACT...

...IT LOOKS
LIKE I'M...
WHAT'D WE USED
TO CALL YOU,
BROCK?

I'M
**ANTI-
VENOM!**







DON'T...

...DON'T...

DON'T
WORRY ABOUT
A THING,
BOSS.



OH, I
DON'T.
I'M JUST
THAT KIND OF
MANIAC.

WELCOME,
LOOTER. YOU
JUST BECAME
A MADE
MAN.



ALCHEMAX HQ,
DR. STEVE'S LAB

GOODNESS! MY ASTROBIOLOGICAL SERUM HAD QUITE THE EFFECT ON HIM!

CALL IT WHATEVER YOU WANT, DOC, BUT WHAT YOU MADE WAS...

WOW! THIS FEELS GREAT!

...ARTIFICIAL ANTI-VENOM! FLASH? TALK TO ME. WHOSE SIDE ARE YOU ON NOW?

THOMPSON!

YOU TRIED TO SEPARATE ME FROM MY OTHER! AND FOR THAT WE SHALL--

YOU KNOW WHAT, BROCK...

...I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF YOU!

SHUT UP!

GYAHH! YOUR TOUCH! IT...
...BURNS!

OKAY. NOW WE KNOW WHERE EVERYONE STANDS. ANTI-VENOM IS...
...LITERALLY ANT! THE GUY CALLED VENOM.

TSS



COOL! THAT'S A SIDE I CAN GET BEHIND.

NOT FAIR!

YEAH. YEAH. LOPSIDED FIGHT, I KNOW. BUT WATCH ME NOT CARE.



OUT OF THE WAY! HE'S MINE!

YOU WANT DIBS ON EDDIE? BE MY--

NOT BROCK! THE SYMBIOTE. I NEED IT!

WHAT?



LEAVE US! YOU'RE HURTING IT!

RELEASE HIM TO ME OR--

FLASH?



THAT'S THE VENOM SYMBIOTE YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT! ONE OF THE DEADLIEST THINGS ON EARTH! WHY WOULD YOU--?

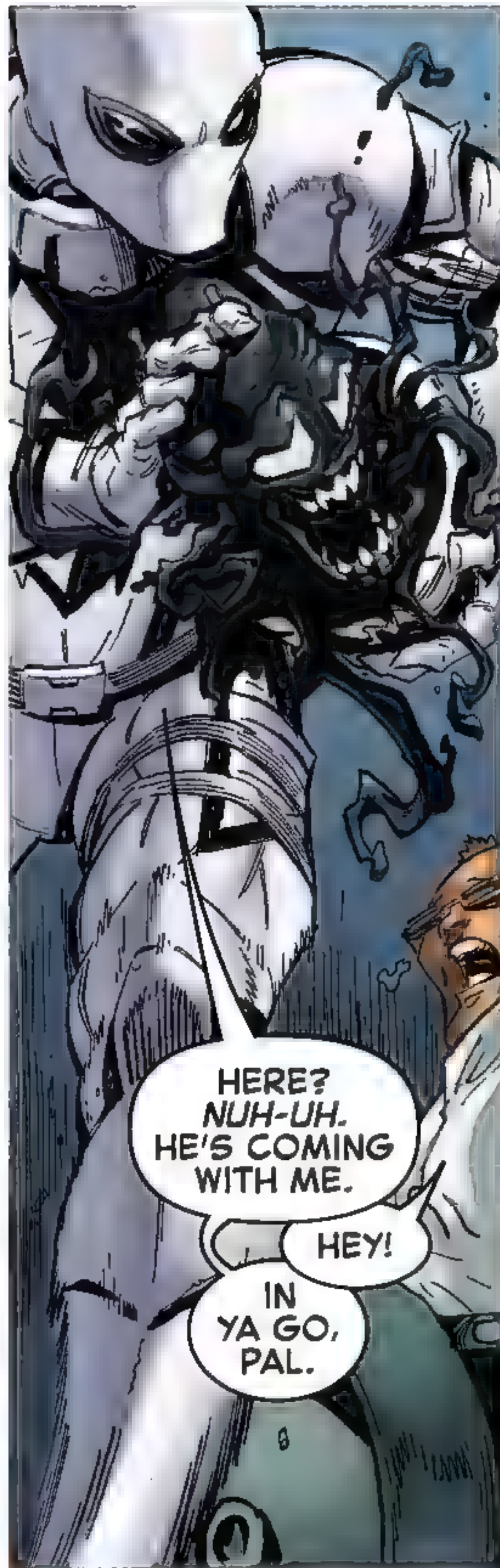


SORRY, FELLA.

SHH. DON'T WORRY. I'M HERE.

RURRR





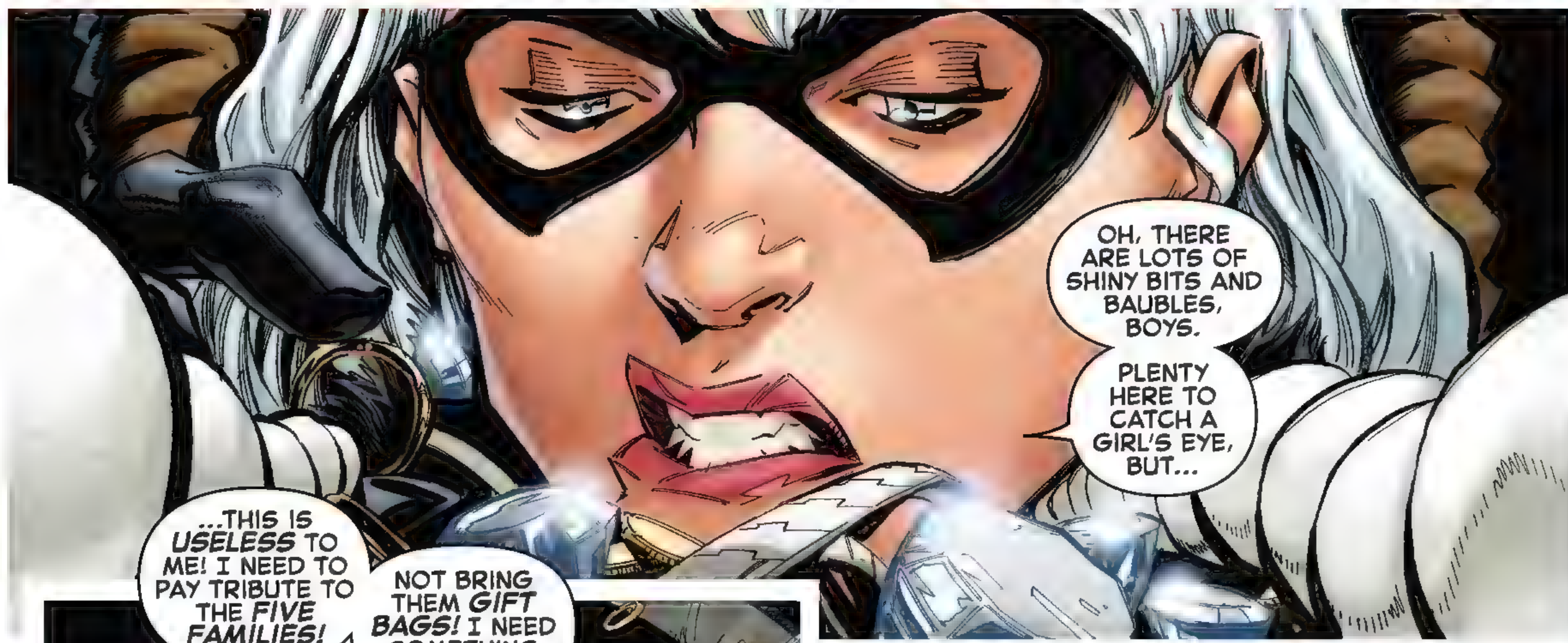
THE BLACK CAT'S CLUB



HERE YOU GO, BOSS. EVERYONE CHIPPED IN. ONLY THEIR BEST SWAG.

ALL HIGH-END SCORES. AND NO SKIMMING. I MADE SURE A' THAT.

ENOUGH WITH THE HARD SELL, HAMMERHEAD. LET ME SEE.



OH, THERE ARE LOTS OF SHINY BITS AND BAUBLES, BOYS.

PLENTY HERE TO CATCH A GIRL'S EYE, BUT...

...THIS IS USELESS TO ME! I NEED TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THE FIVE FAMILIES!

NOT BRING THEM GIFT BAGS! I NEED SOMETHING BIG! BOLD!

HAVE I NOT MADE MYSELF CLEAR?

SMACK

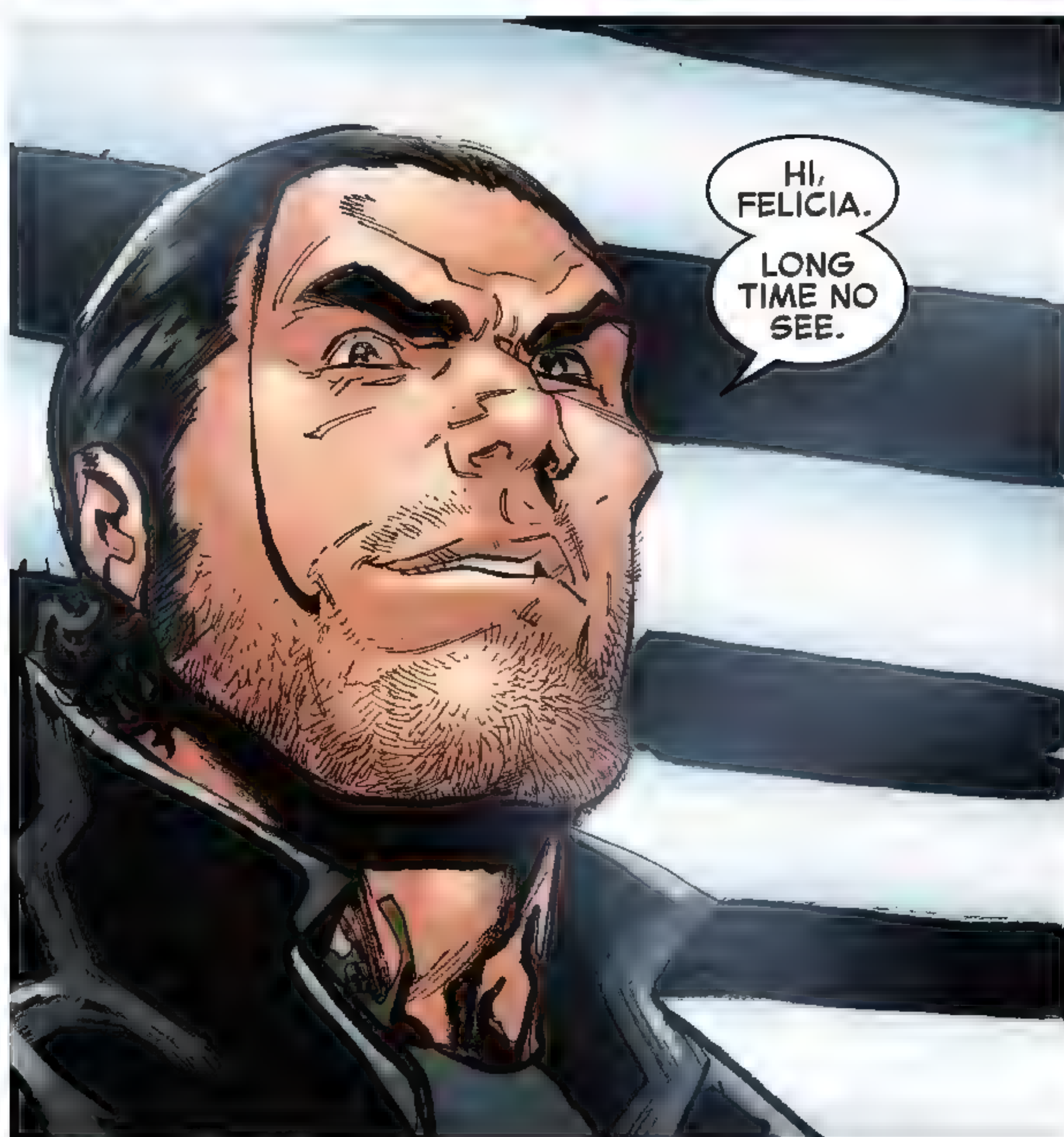
SIGH
I REALLY NEED TO FIND A BETTER CLASS OF MINIONS.



AND GUARDS AT THE DOOR.

SCRATCH THAT.

WHAT'S ACTUALLY NEEDED IN THIS HERE ESTABLISHMENT...



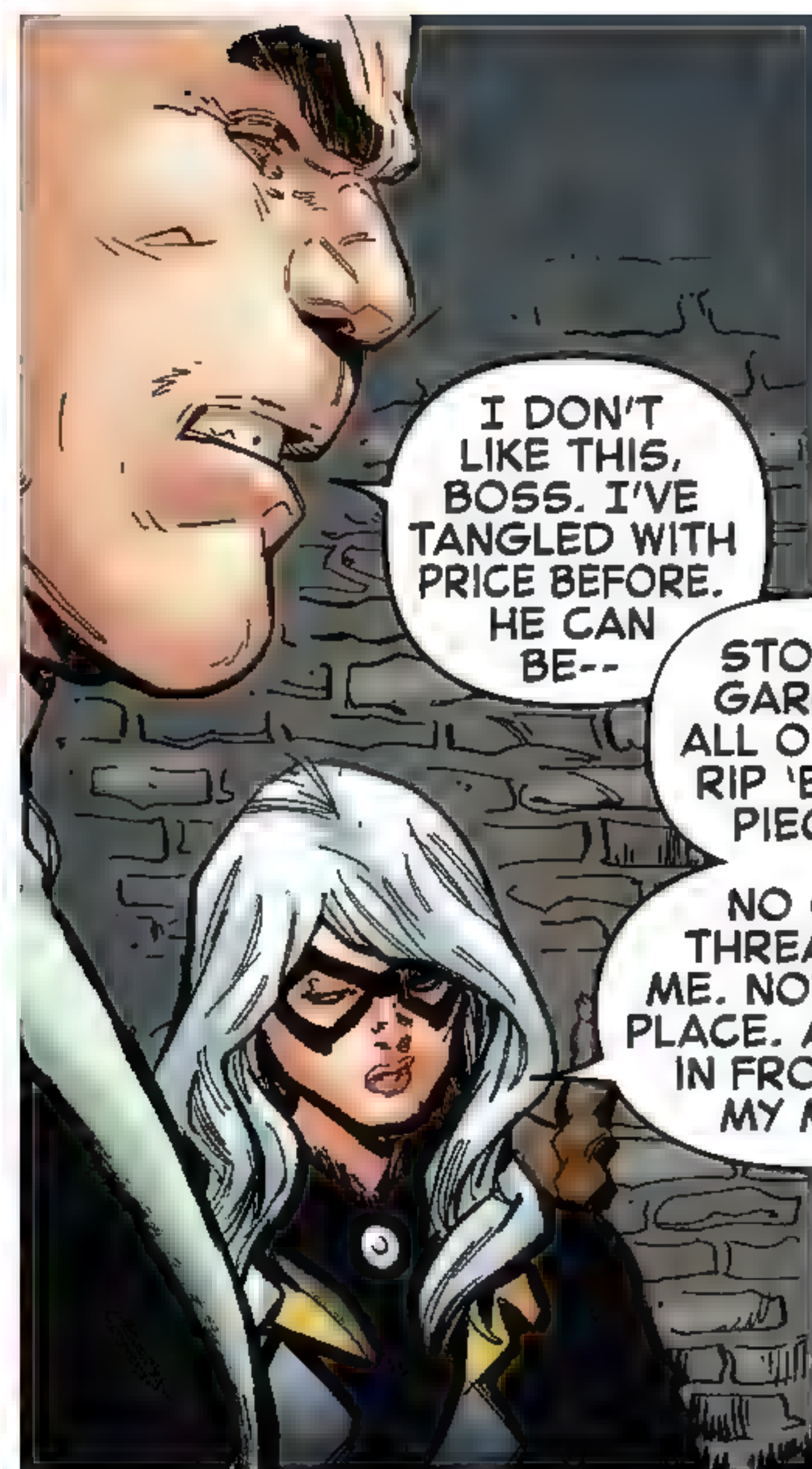


ALWAYS UNDERESTIMATING ME, HARDY. THIS TIME IT'S GONNA COST YOU. *BIG*.

SHOW 'EM, MY LITTLE INKLINGS. LET 'EM SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO.

WHAT ABOUT THE CAT?

SAVE HER FOR LAST.



I DON'T LIKE THIS, BOSS. I'VE TANGLED WITH PRICE BEFORE. HE CAN BE--

STOW IT, GARGAN. ALL OF YOU, RIP 'EM TO PIECES!

NO ONE THREATENS ME. NOT IN MY PLACE. AND NOT IN FRONT OF MY MEN.



SOMETHING TELLS ME...

...THEY AIN'T GONNA BE YOUR MEN FOR MUCH LONGER.



ALL RIGHT, I GIVE UP. WHERE ARE WE?

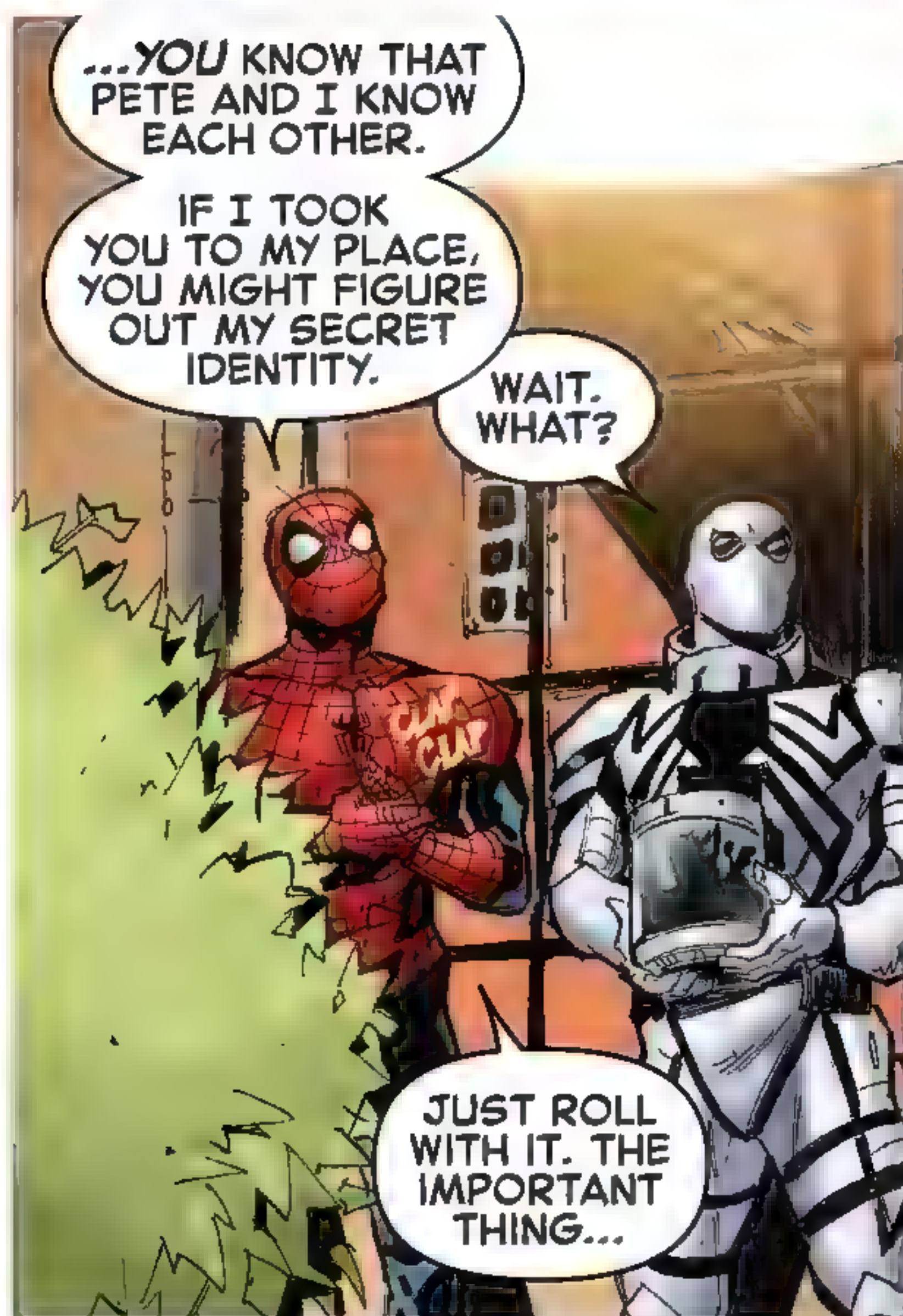
WHO?

BOBBI MORSE'S APARTMENT.

PETER PARKER'S GIRLFRIEND. THIS IS WHERE... PETE'S STAYING.

AND WHY WOULD YOU TAKE ME HERE?

BECAUSE...



...YOU KNOW THAT PETE AND I KNOW EACH OTHER.

IF I TOOK YOU TO MY PLACE, YOU MIGHT FIGURE OUT MY SECRET IDENTITY.

WAIT. WHAT?

JUST ROLL WITH IT. THE IMPORTANT THING...



...IS THAT PETE'S GOT ALL KINDS OF SCIENCE-Y EQUIPMENT HERE.

STUFF WE CAN USE TO SEE IF YOU'RE OKAY--

OKAY? LOOK AT ME. I'M BETTER THAN OKAY. I'M A SUPER HERO AGAIN!



OY.

AND STUFF WE CAN USE TO NEUTRALIZE THIS CRITTER ONCE AND FOR ALL!

WHOA! YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT A LIVING, BREATHING, SENTIENT LIFE-FORM!

WHO HAPPENS TO BE MY PAL!





WAS WONDERIN' WHAT'D HAPPEN, IF I DID MY LITTLE SPIT-TAKE...

...ON SOMEBODY WHO ALREADY HAD A SYMBIOTE IN HIM. LET'S FIND OUT.

SPTOO

ACK!
NO! I'M--
ACK!

GIVE IN,
MAC. DON'T
FIGHT IT.

I'M--
I'M
BACK!

DAMN.

BET
YOU THINK
YOU'VE LOCKED
THIS ALL UP,
DON'T YOU,
PRICE?

SURE
LOOKS THAT
WAY, DON'T
IT?

FINE! THEN
LET'S DO THIS!
JUST THE TWO OF
US! WINNER
TAKES ALL!

C'MON!
TRY YOUR
LUCK WITH
ME!





ONE SECOND, MR. BROCK. THIS SHOULD DO THE TRICK.

SOLVENT OF MY OWN DESIGN. SHOULD HAVE THAT WEBBING OFF OF YOU PROMPTLY.

IF MY OTHER WERE HERE, WE'D'VE SNAPPED THIS OFF AGES AGO.

TAKE THE GOOD WITH THE BAD, I GUESS.



"THE GOOD"? WHAT'RE YOU TALKIN' ABOUT?

WHY, YOU'RE **FREE**, EDDIE. CURED! OF THE SYMBIOTE.

AND ALL THE RESULTING PROBLEMS AND HEADACHES THAT CAME WITH IT.



YOU DON'T GET IT AT ALL, DO YOU, DR. STEVE! WE SHARED A **BOND**!

AND NOW IT'S OUT THERE! ALONE! AND WHO KNOWS WHAT THEY'RE DOING TO IT!

YOU HAVE TO HELP ME FIND IT!

I--I-- I WOULDN'T KNOW WHERE TO START.



THEN WHAT **GOOD** ARE YOU?! ANY OF YOU!

I'LL FIND IT ON MY OWN! I'LL--



NO!

BACK WHEN I WAS ANTI-VENOM, I COULD CLEAN **EVERY** TRACE OF A SYMBIOTE OUT OF SOMEONE...

...AND NOW, THAT'S BEEN DONE... TO ME.

OUR BOND'S SEVERED. I CAN'T FEEL HIM AT ALL.



OHhh BOY.
HOPE THAT THING
DOESN'T LEAVE A
RING AROUND
THE TUB.

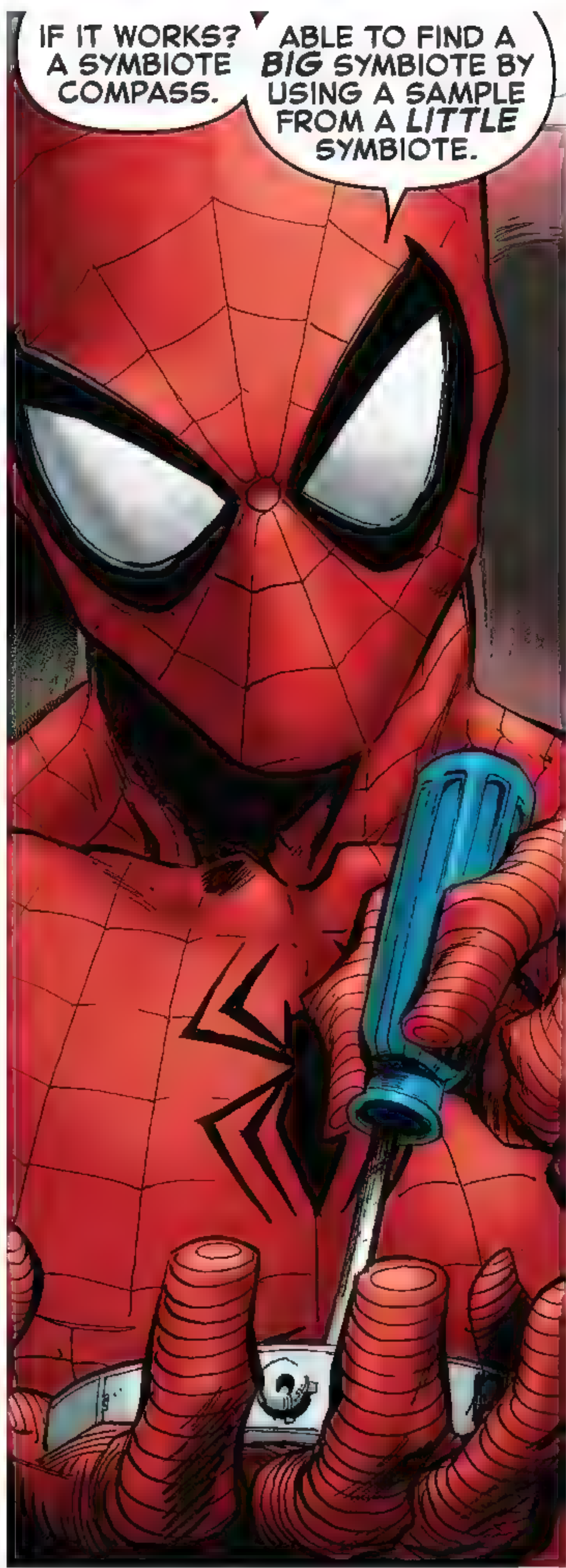
I DON'T WANT...
PETE'S GIRLFRIEND
TO KILL HIM. 'CAUSE
SHE TOTALLY
WOULD.

HEY,
BUDDY. YEAH,
YOU LIKE
THAT, HUH?

FIGURED
OUT HOW TO
PULL BACK THIS
ANTI-VENOM GOOP
SO I'M NOT
HURTING YOU
ANYMORE.

UGH. SHOULD
I STEP OUT TO
FINISH THIS? DO
YOU TWO NEED
THE ROOM?

STOP IT.
WHAT ARE YOU
WORKING ON
ANYWAY?



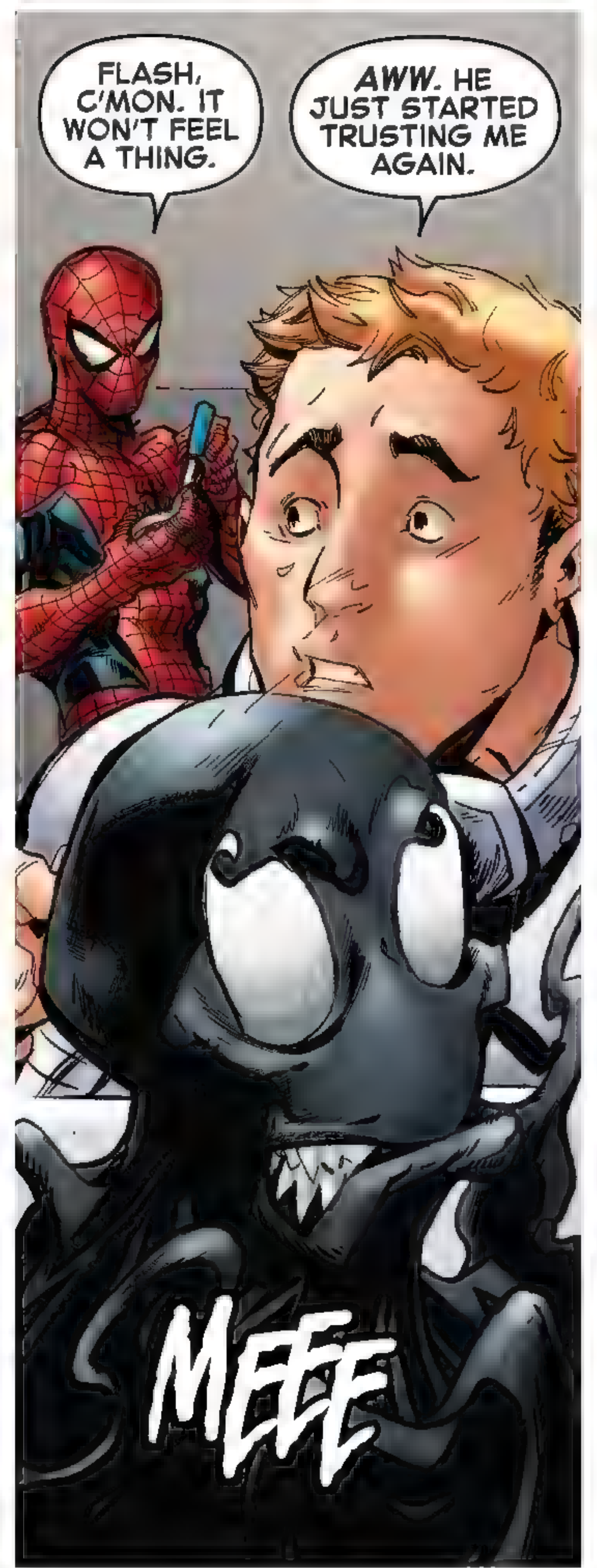
IF IT WORKS?
A SYMBIOTE
COMPASS.

ABLE TO FIND A
BIG SYMBIOTE BY
USING A SAMPLE
FROM A **LITTLE**
SYMBIOTE.



WHICH IS WHERE
YOU COME IN. NEED
YOU TO ANTI-VENOM
UP SOME SNIPPERS
AND CLIP ME OFF
A PIECE OF IT.

WHAT?!

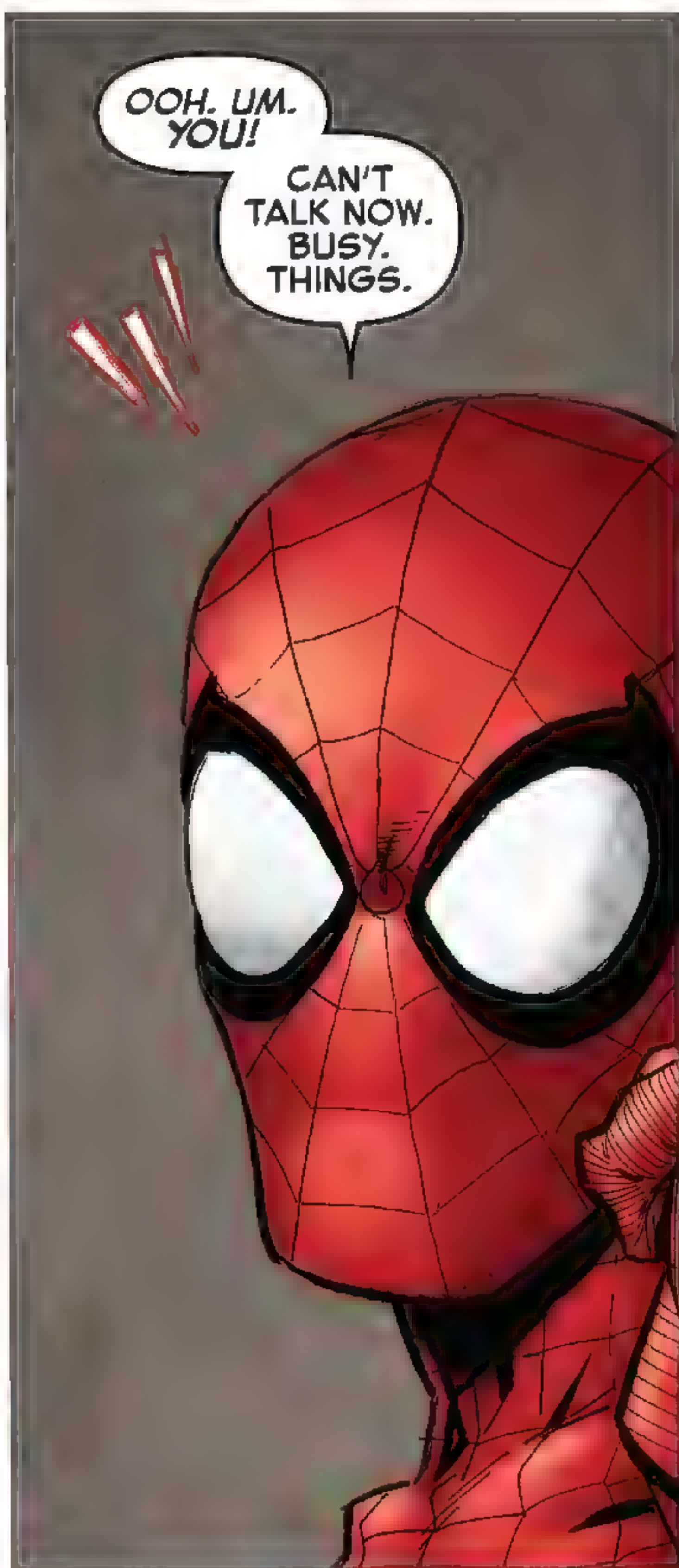


FLASH,
C'MON. IT
WON'T FEEL
A THING.

AWW. HE
JUST STARTED
TRUSTING ME
AGAIN.

MEE





MAN, YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE HOW MUCH I'VE MISSED THIS.

ALL OF IT. NOT JUST THE POWERS, BUT A CHANCE TO BE A HERO AGAIN.

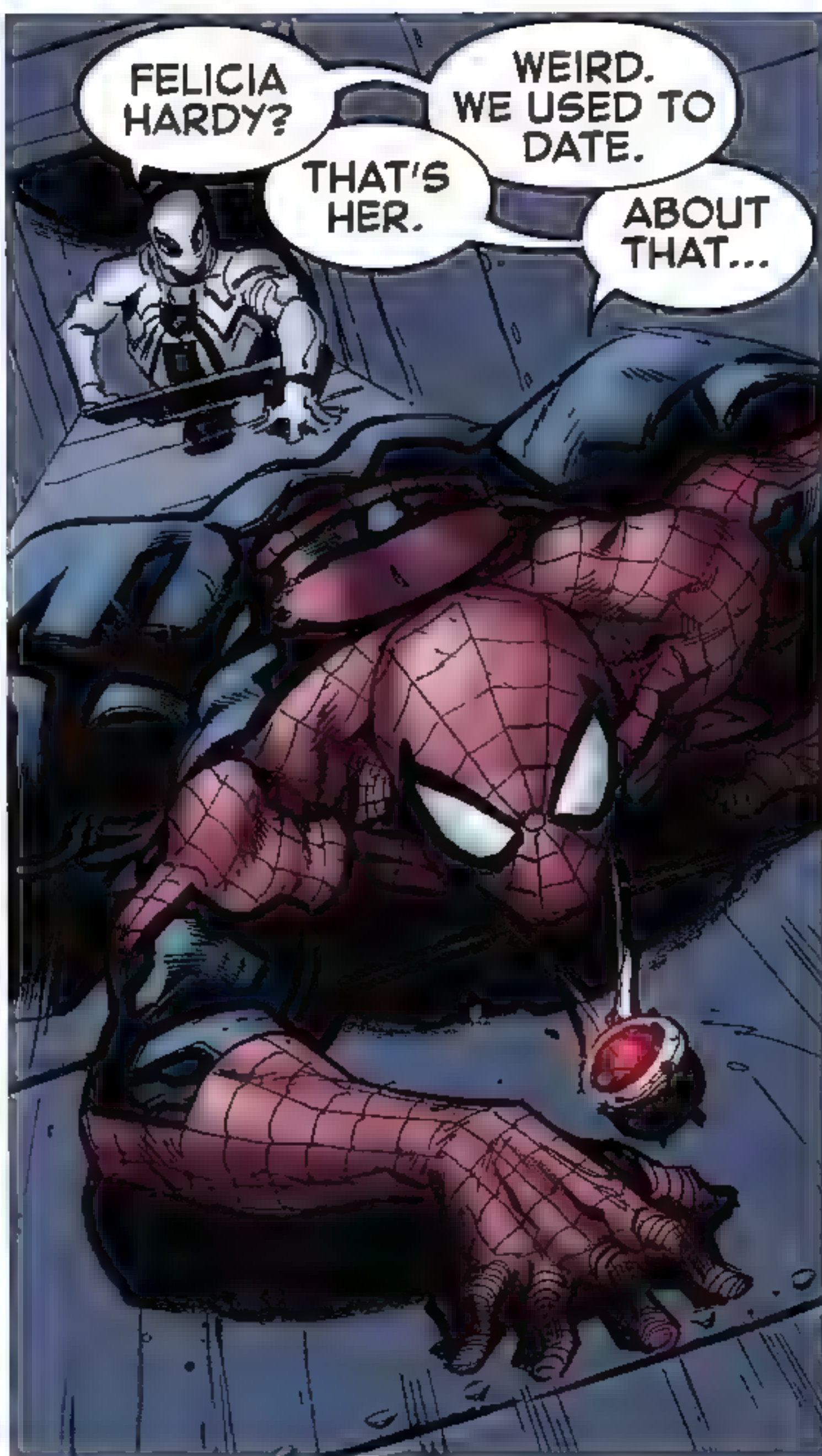
LIKE YOU.

CUT IT OUT. 'CAUSE JOKES ARE MY DEPARTMENT.

AND THE FLASH THOMPSON I KNOW...

...SERVICEMAN, PURPLE HEART RECIPIENT AND PROUD VETERAN...











ZEKE!
ZEKE, COME
BACK!

AARFF!



YOU'RE NOT
SUPPOSED TO LET
HIM OFF THE LEASH,
BUTTHEAD!

AW, COME
ON. ZEKE'S A
GOOD DOG.
HE'LL COME
BACK.



COME ON,
EDDIE.

CONCENTRATE.

BARK!

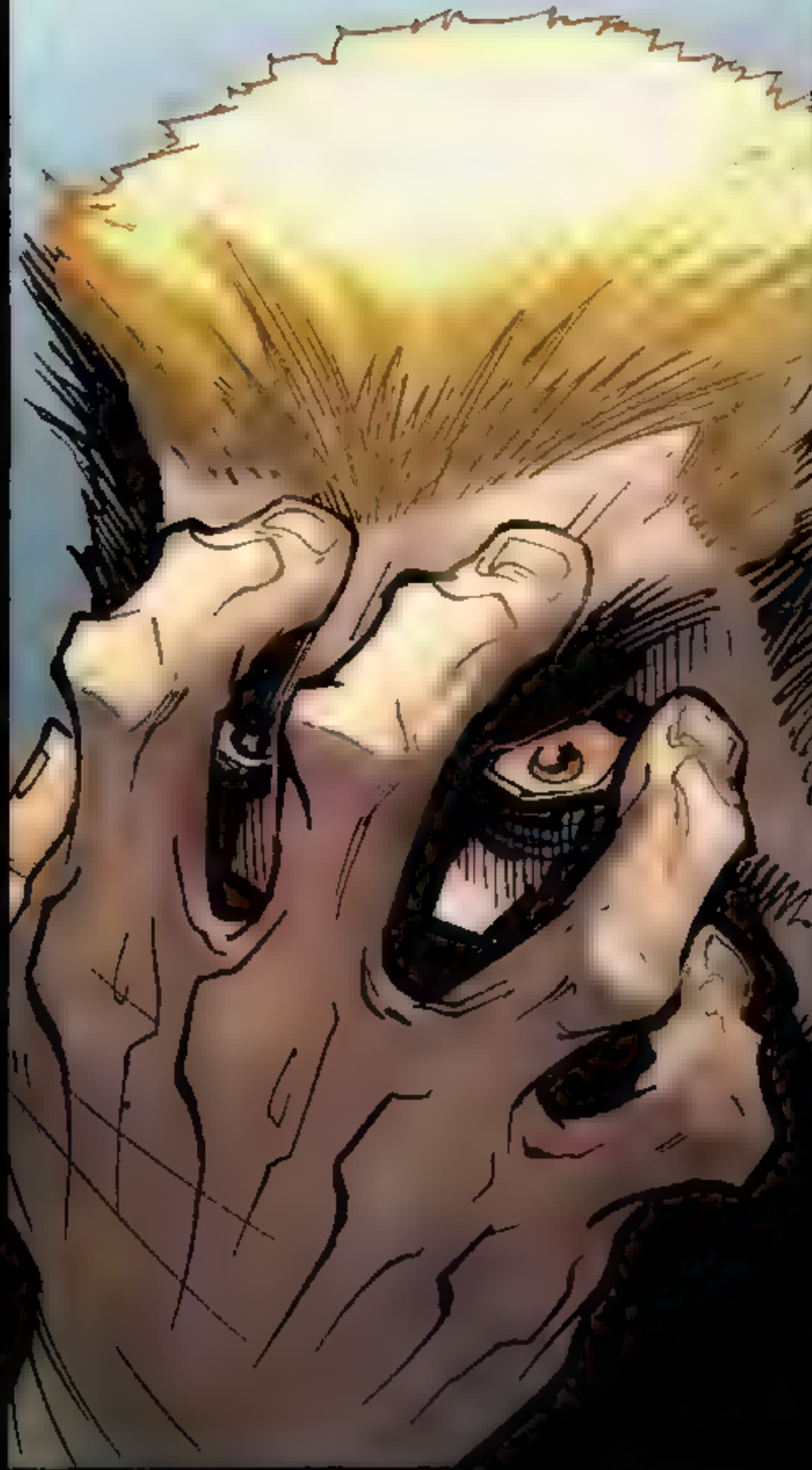
DON'T KICK
THE DOG.

CONCENTRATE.



THEY TOOK IT
AWAY. AGAIN!

CONCENTRATE!



SPIDER-MAN.
FLASH THOMPSON.
THEY STILL THINK THEY
CAN DICTATE HOW I
LIVE MY LIFE. HOW--

CONCENTRATE!



MAKE YOUR MIND QUIET.
FIND THE PART THAT
KNOWS WHERE YOUR
OTHER IS.

THE PART
THAT PULLS LIKE
A TINY STRING.



FOLLOW
IT.

FOLLOW IT
AND DON'T
LET GO.



AND AFTER
YOU FIND IT--

--THEN YOU
CAN LET THE
HATE OUT.



GRRAAAAAGHH!

HM...

CLEARLY
WE AREN'T
WEARING THE RIGHT
COSTUMES TO
THIS PARTY.

SO LET'S
SAY MY PAL AND
I JUST KINDA BACK
OUT SLOWLY, AND ALL
OF US CAN FORGET
THIS EMBARRASSING
FAUX PAS EVER
HAPPENED.



OH, DON'T WORRY.

WE'LL HAVE YOU FELLAS CHANGED IN NO TIME.

AND BLACK CAT AND HER ENTOURAGE WILL BE HAPPY TO SHOW YOU THE ROPES.

WHAT'RE YOU WAITING FOR, FELICIA?

FLASH! THAT GUY IN THE BACK IS THE LEADER!

BEAT HIM UP!

AFTER WE BEAT UP EVERYONE ELSE.

EASIER SAID THAN DONE, SPIDEY.

GREAT TO BE BACK IN THE GAME, THOUGH.





HANG ON,
BUDDY!

I'M ON
MY WAY!

HSSSSS!

GLUKKK.

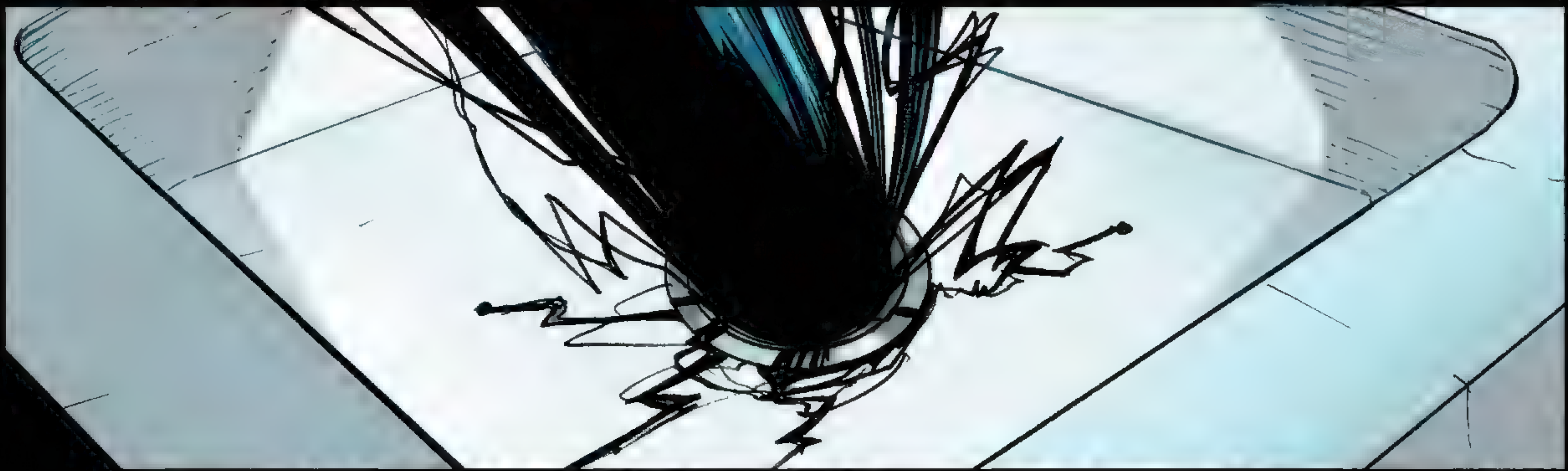
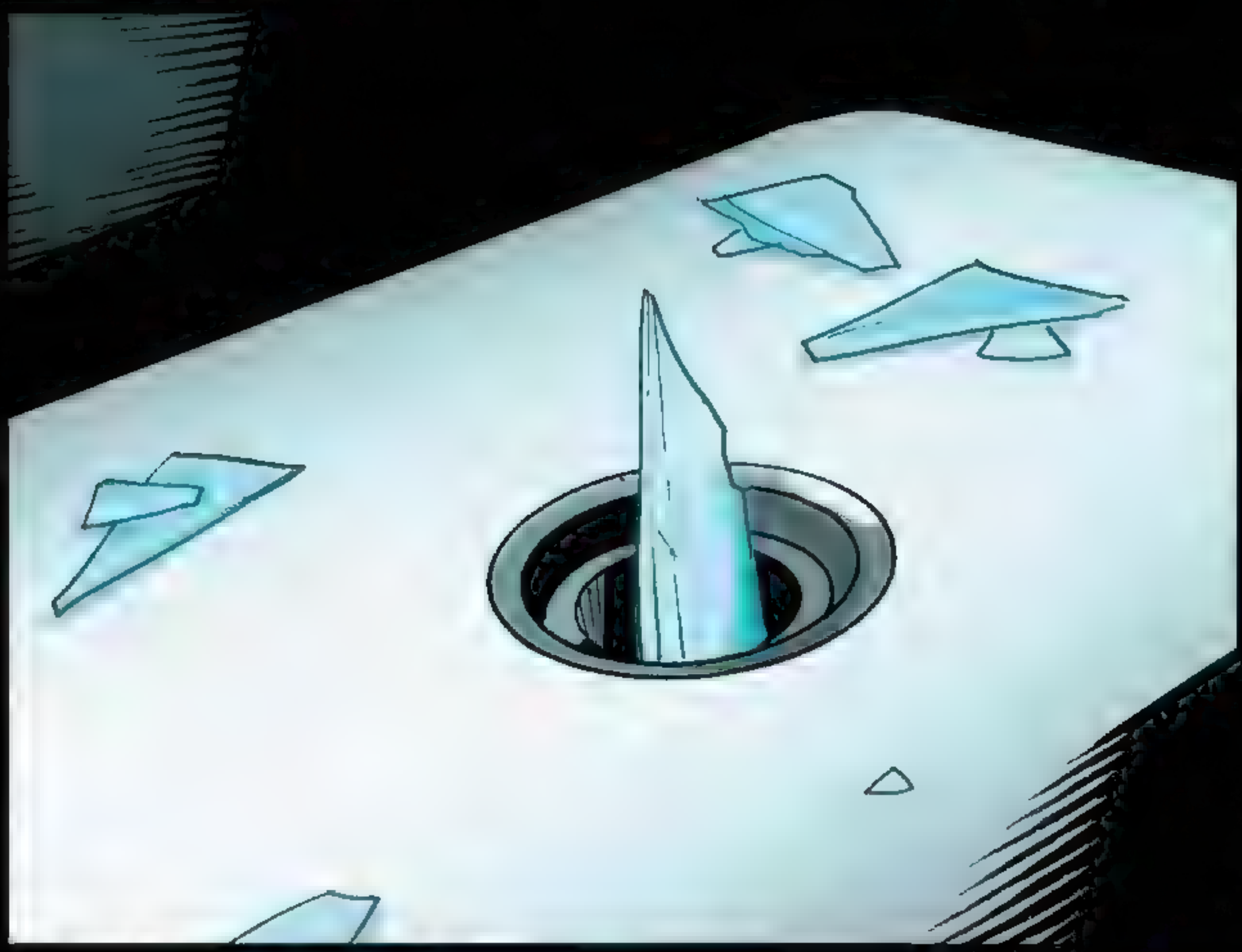
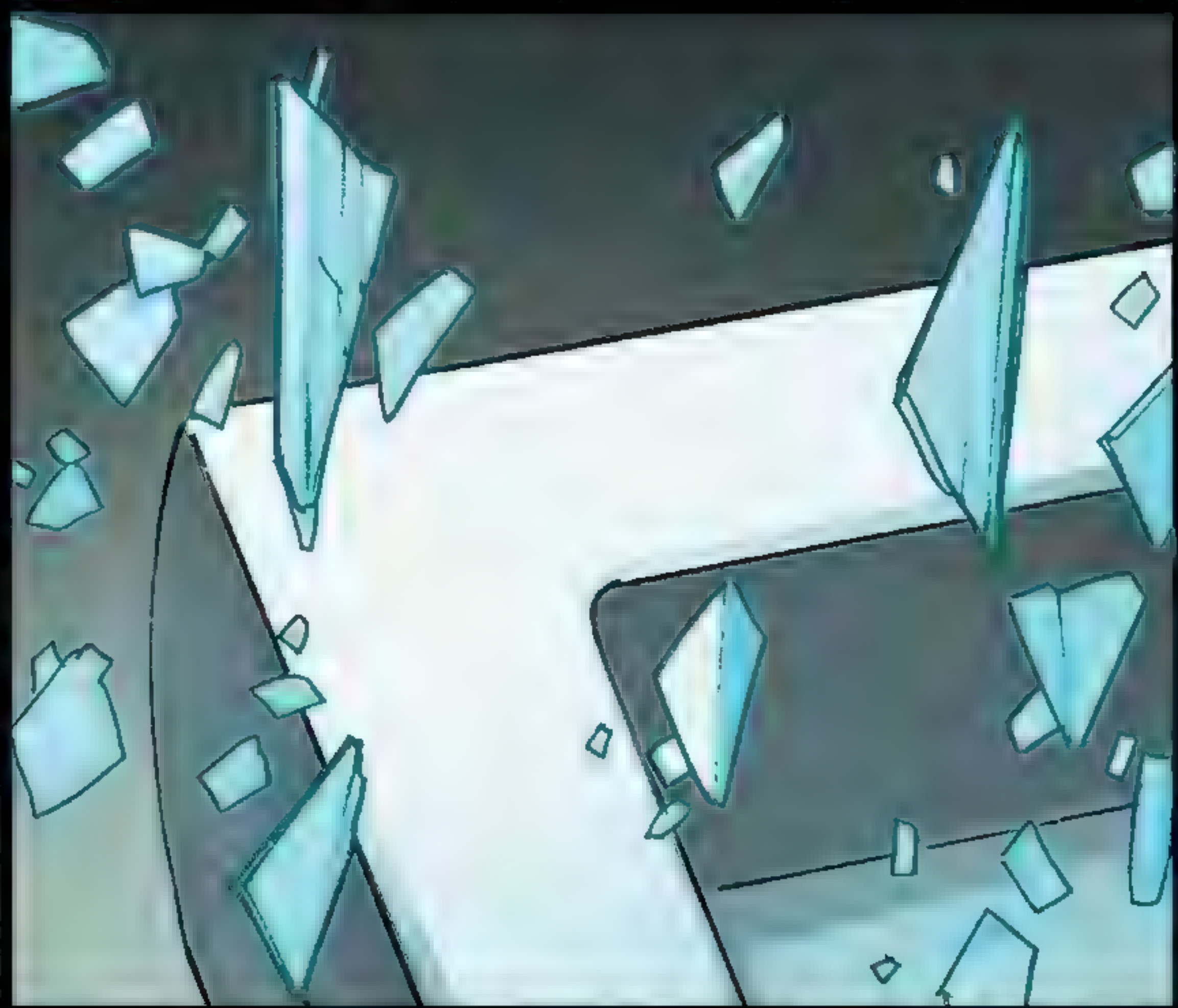
RIIIIIIGHT.
MY...SPIDER-SENSE...
DOESN'T WORK ON
SYMBIOTES.

WHAM

CRACK

BOBBI
MORSE'S
APARTMENT.









HEY!



UH...

ANTI-VENOM,
BUDDY? I KNOW THAT
YOU AND FELICIA HAVE
A HISTORY, BUT I DON'T
THINK SHE'S INTERESTED
IN A **ROMANTIC**
REUNI--



SSSSS



HUH. YOU'RE NOT
GOING TO TRY TO KISS
ME, RIG--

KLONK

OW!

TAKES ME
A WHILE, BUT
EVENTUALLY I
REALIZE...

JUST
REACTING.

LETTING
MY MIND BE
BLANK, AND JUST
WALKING.

CAT!
WHAT ARE YOU
DOING?

...IT'S ABOUT NOT
CONCENTRATING.

OOF!

THERE'S A
TICKLE AT
THE BACK OF
MY THROAT.

THE CLOSER
I GET, THE
STRONGER
I FEEL IT.



WE'RE
OUTNUMBERED AND
OUTCLASSED.

SORRY,
SPIDER. THIS CAT'S OUT
OF THE BAG...



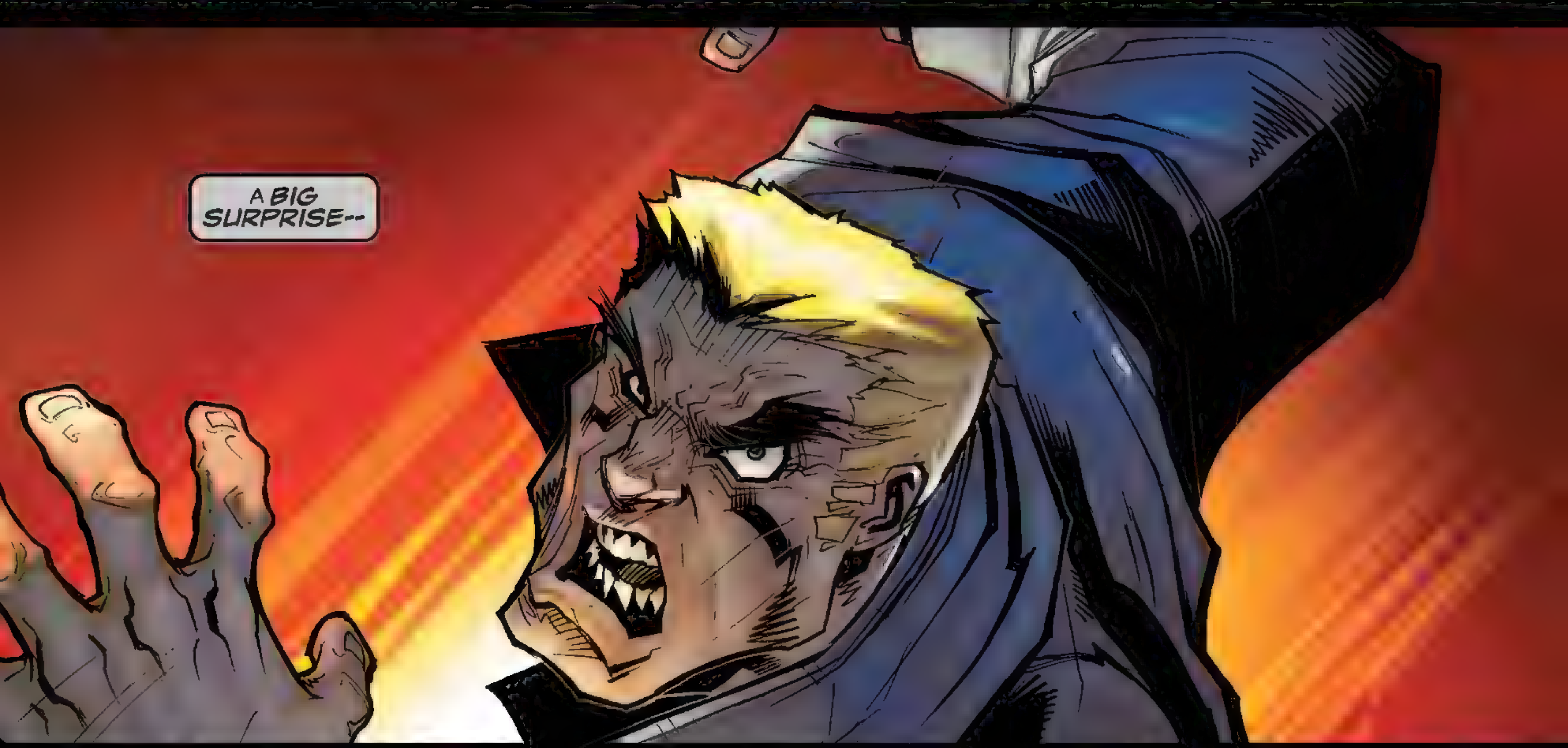
I'M
COMING,
LOVE.

WHOEVER'S GOT
YOU...THEY'RE IN FOR
A SURPRISE.



...AND SHE'S
NOT GOING
BACK IN.

ALL
RIGHT, POWERS--
I COULD USE A LITTLE
LUCK RIGHT
NOW.



A BIG
SURPRISE--



THANKS FOR
BREAKING MY FALL,
PAL.

LOOKS LIKE
YOU'RE MY LUCKY
GUY.



EDDIE
BROCK?

OF
COURSE YOU'D
BE MIXED UP IN
THIS SYMBIOTE
BUSINESS.

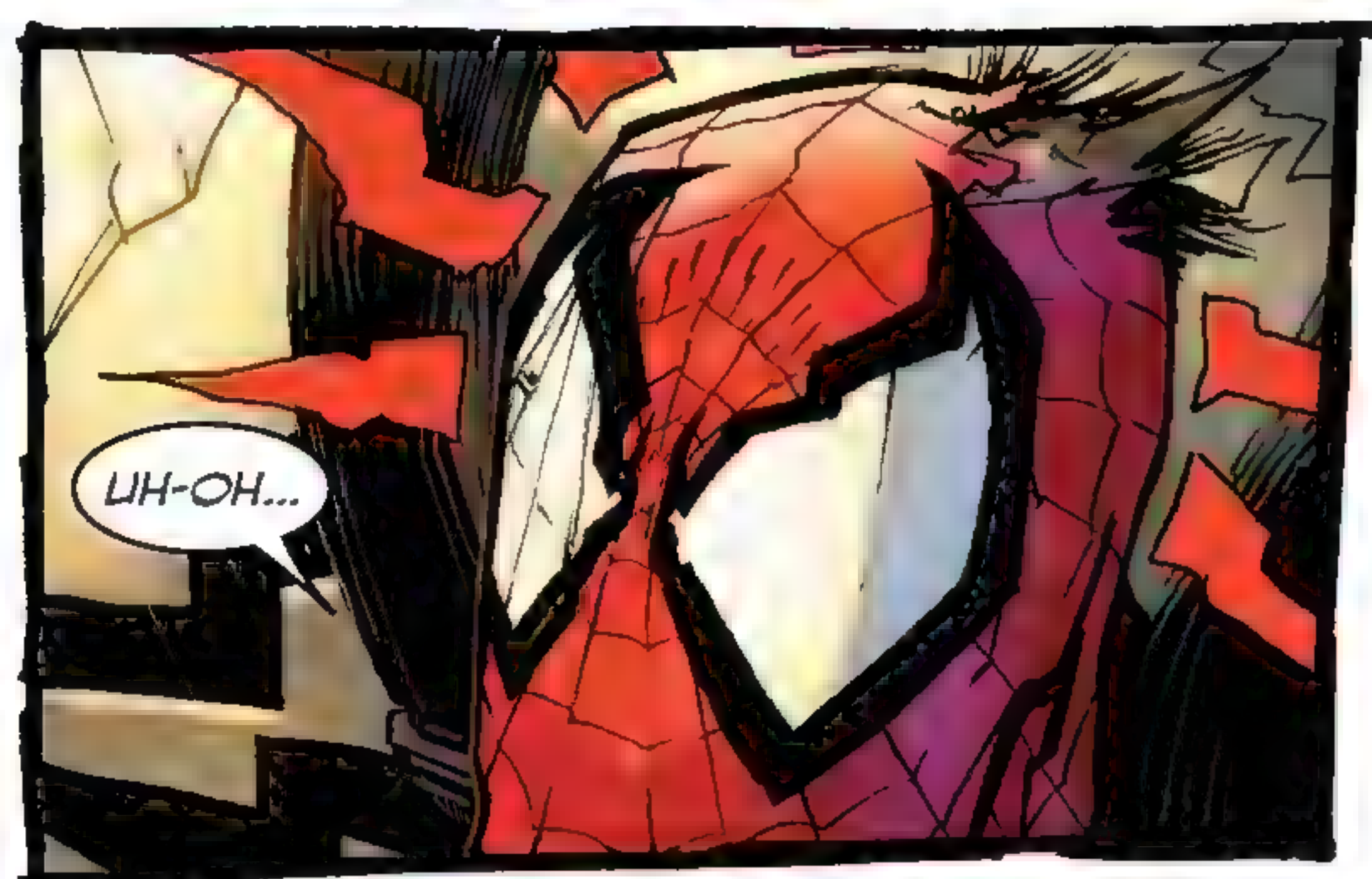
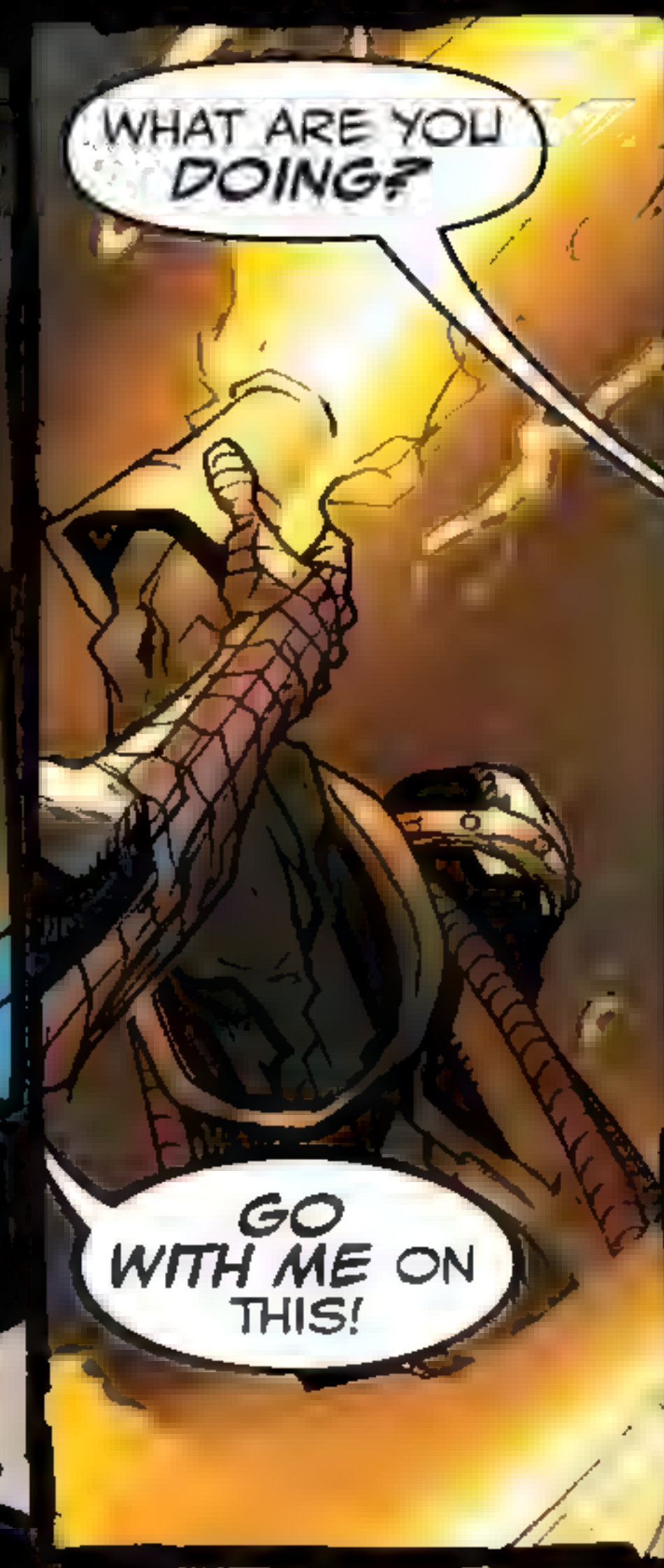
SYMBIOTE?
YOU MEAN MY
SYMBIOTE?

IS HE IN
THERE?

LOOKS
LIKE IT...



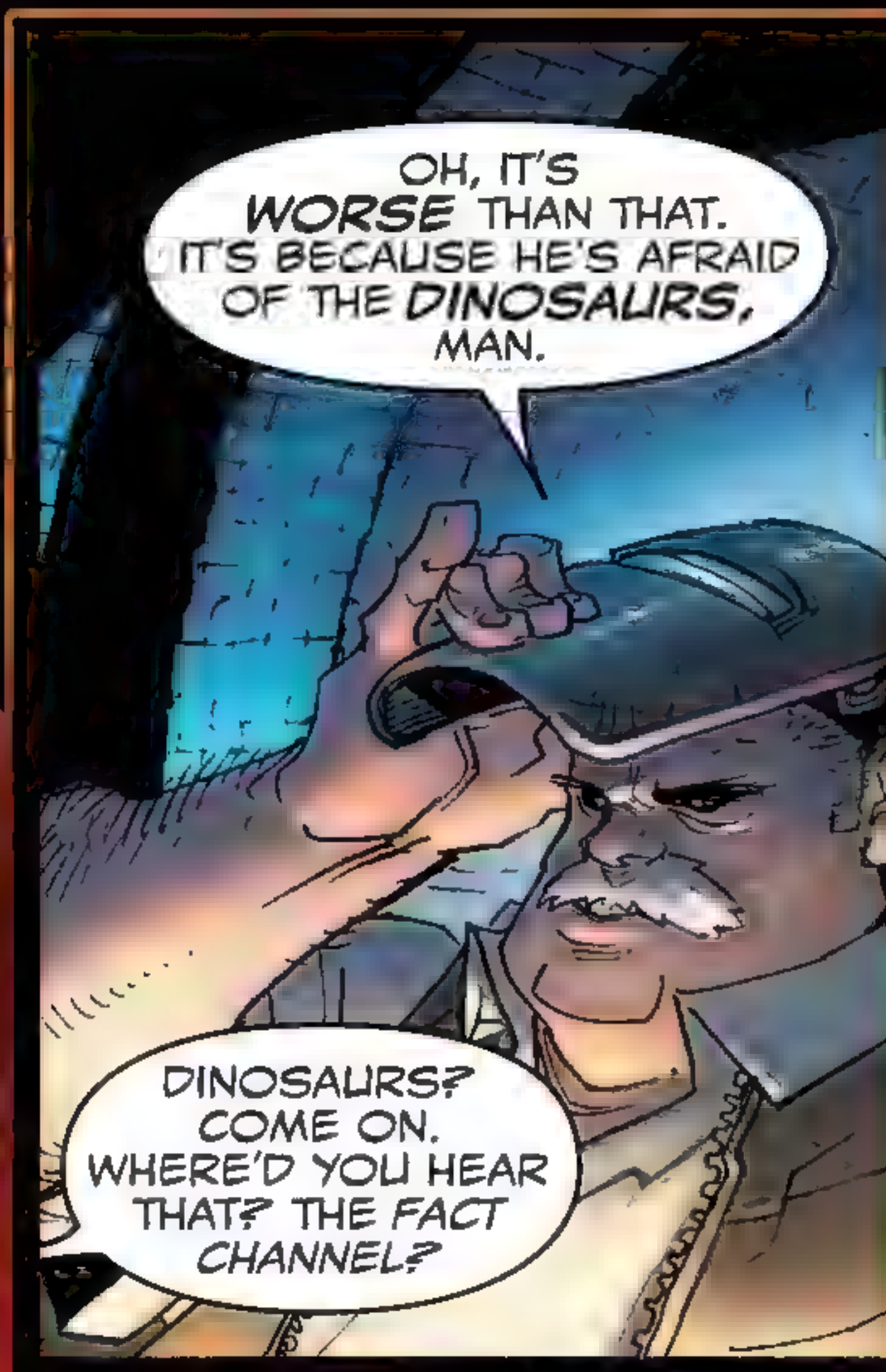
...BUT
THE GUY IN THE
DRIVER'S SEAT IS
EVEN WORSE
THAN YOU.





YOU KNOW WHY ZIGGY HAS US WORKING DOWN HERE TONIGHT, RIGHT?

UH. BECAUSE HE'S A ##&#?



OH, IT'S WORSE THAN THAT. IT'S BECAUSE HE'S AFRAID OF THE DINOSAURS, MAN.

DINOSAURS? COME ON. WHERE'D YOU HEAR THAT? THE FACT CHANNEL?



YEAH, THE FACT CHANNEL. YOU GOTTA STOP LISTENING TO MAINSTREAM MEDIA, MAN. ALL THEY DO IS KEEP YOU PLACATED WITH LIES. THEY DON'T WANT YOU TO KNOW WHAT'S REALLY GOING ON. THERE'RE MONSTERS DOWN HERE!

YEAH, YEAH. RIGHT.



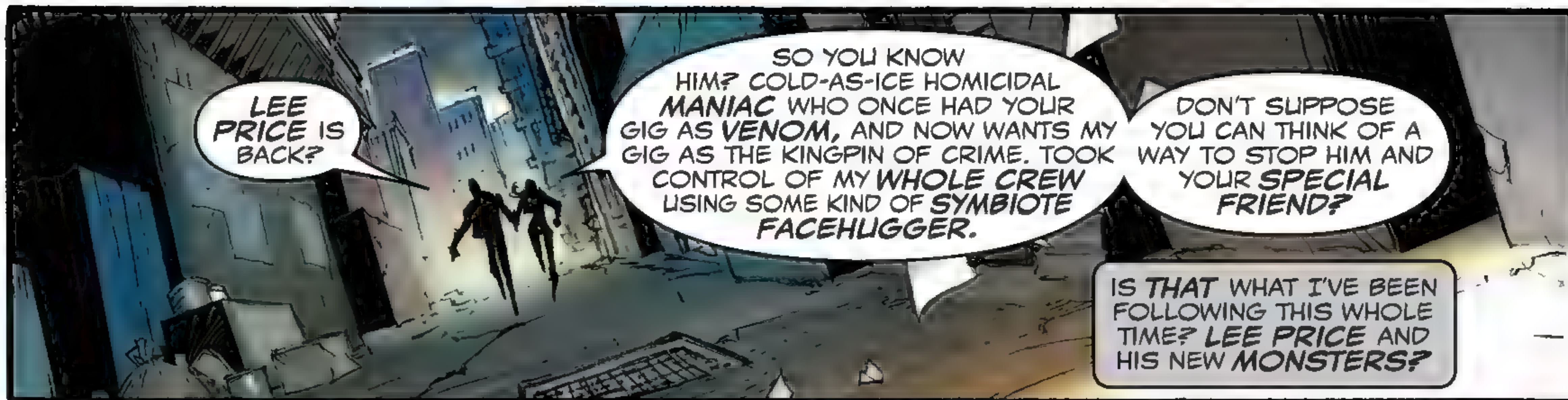
FOLLOW... EDDIEEE!

YAAAAHH!

AAAH!



I'M GONNA KILL ZIGGY.



LEE PRICE IS BACK?

SO YOU KNOW HIM? COLD-AS-ICE HOMICIDAL MANIAC WHO ONCE HAD YOUR GIG AS VENOM, AND NOW WANTS MY GIG AS THE KINGPIN OF CRIME. TOOK CONTROL OF MY WHOLE CREW USING SOME KIND OF SYMBIOTE FACEHUGGER.

DON'T SUPPOSE YOU CAN THINK OF A WAY TO STOP HIM AND YOUR SPECIAL FRIEND?

IS THAT WHAT I'VE BEEN FOLLOWING THIS WHOLE TIME? LEE PRICE AND HIS NEW MONSTERS?



I STILL FEEL IT. LIKE A TICKLE IN MY THROAT GETTING STRONGER...

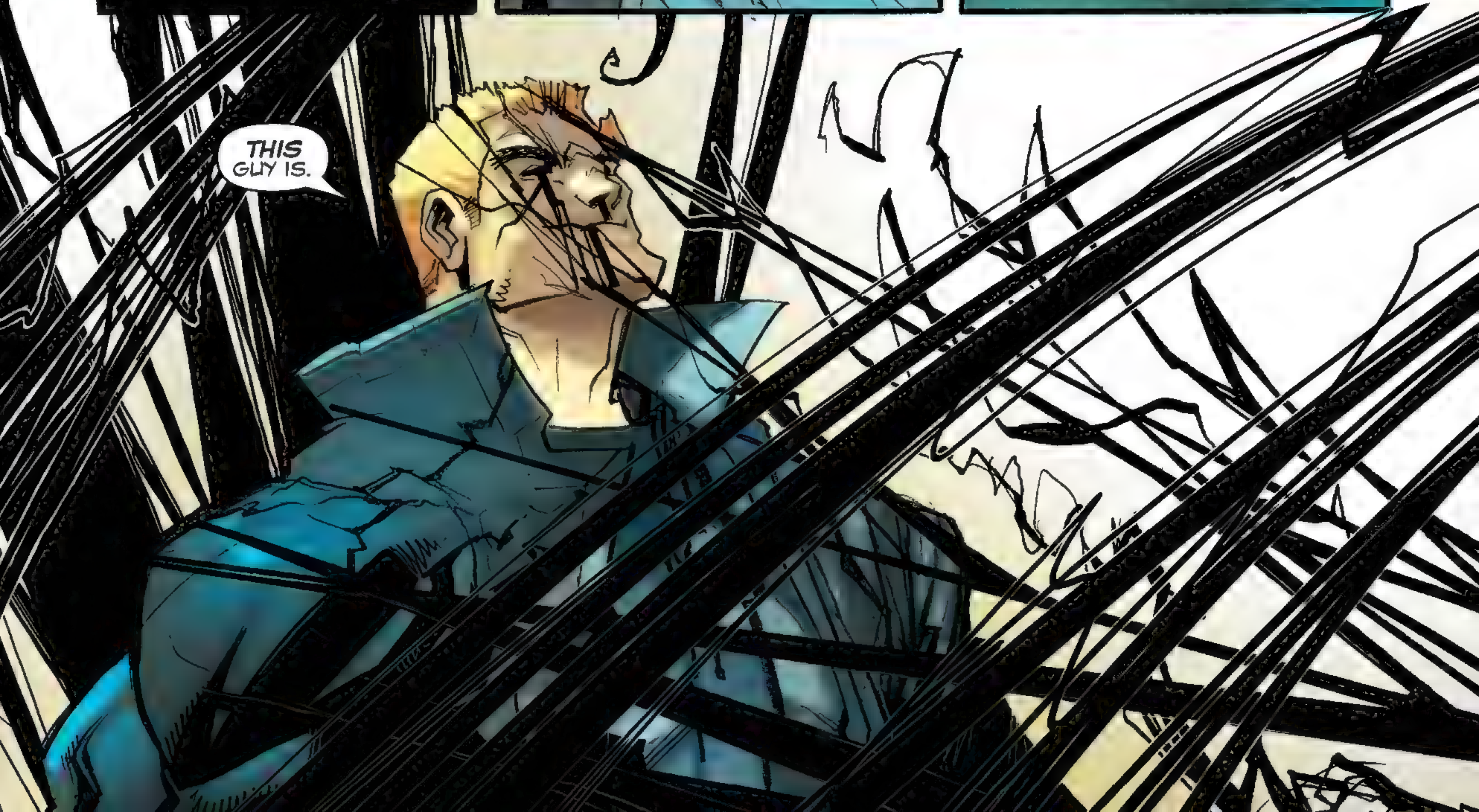
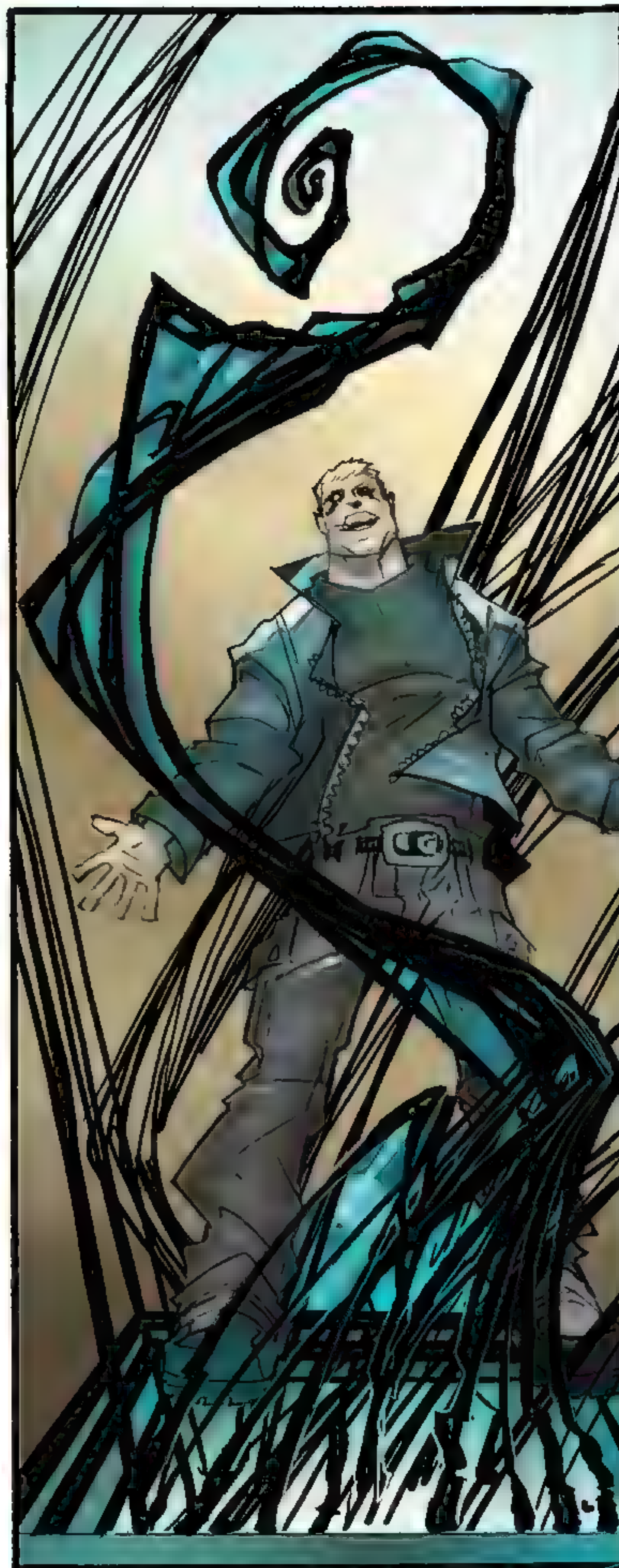
STOP! RIGHT HERE!

MAYBE YOU DIDN'T HEAR ME-- WE'RE BEING CHASED BY BRAINWASHED SYMBIOTE SUPER-GOONS. WHAT ARE WE STOPPING FOR?



THAT SYMBIOTE WITH LEE?

THAT'S NOT MY SPECIAL FRIEND.



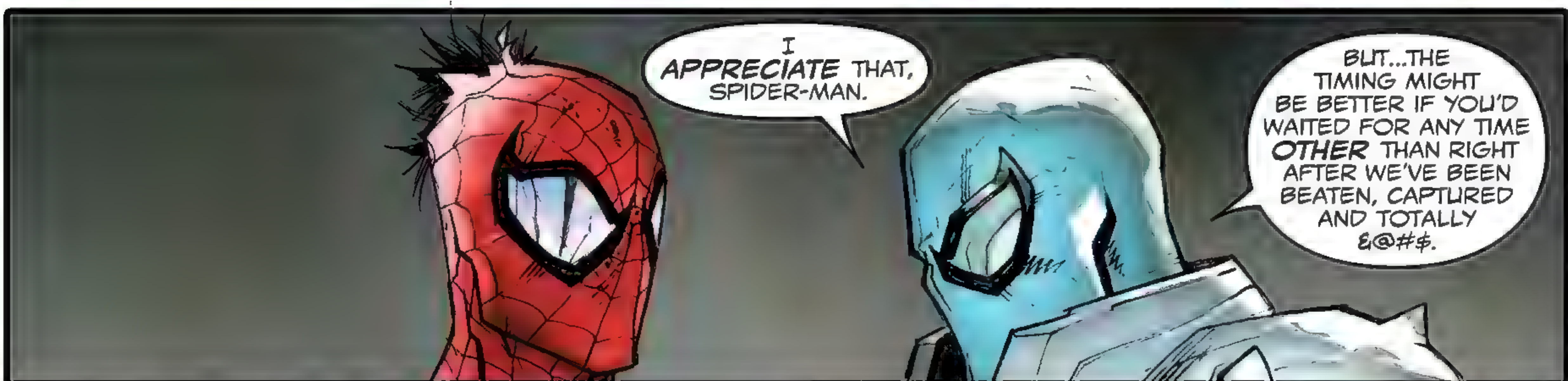
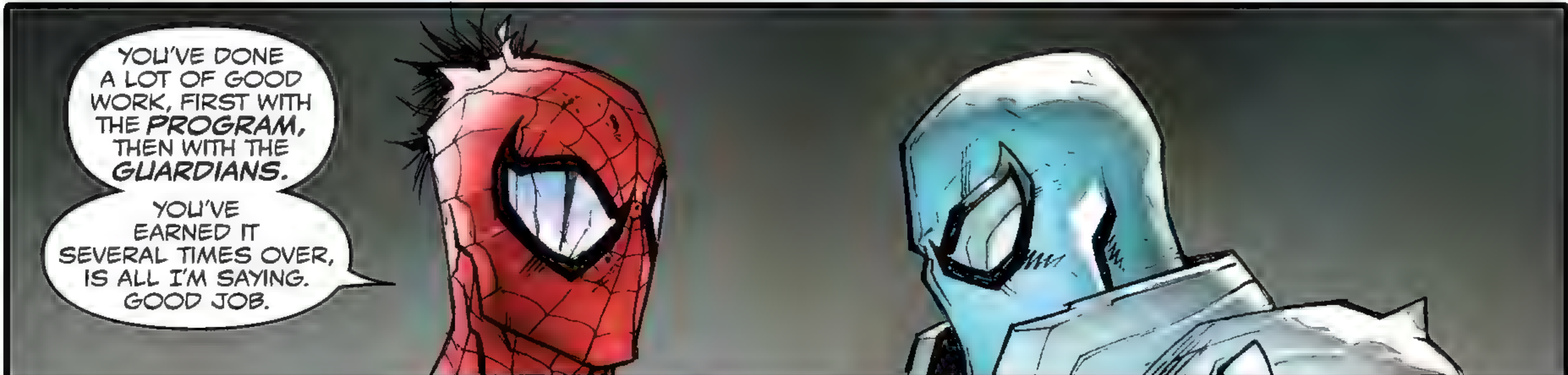
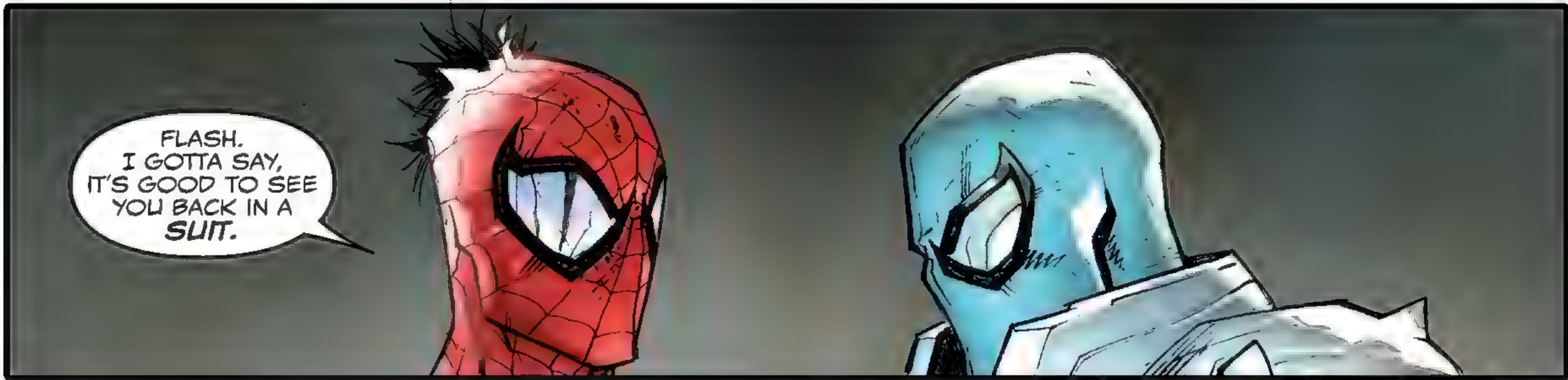
THIS GUY IS.

YESSSSSSSSSSSS



I KNEW
YOU WERE MY
LUCKY GUY.







NOW...

...WHAT
AM I GONNA
DO WITH YOU
TWO?



THE MEATPACKING DISTRICT

OUT OF THE TRUCK! NOW! HANDS WHERE WE CAN SEE 'EM! HANDS!

EASY! WE'RE NOT ARMED. WE'RE JUST CATERERS. THERE'S NOTHING VALUABLE IN HERE. TRUST US! WE--

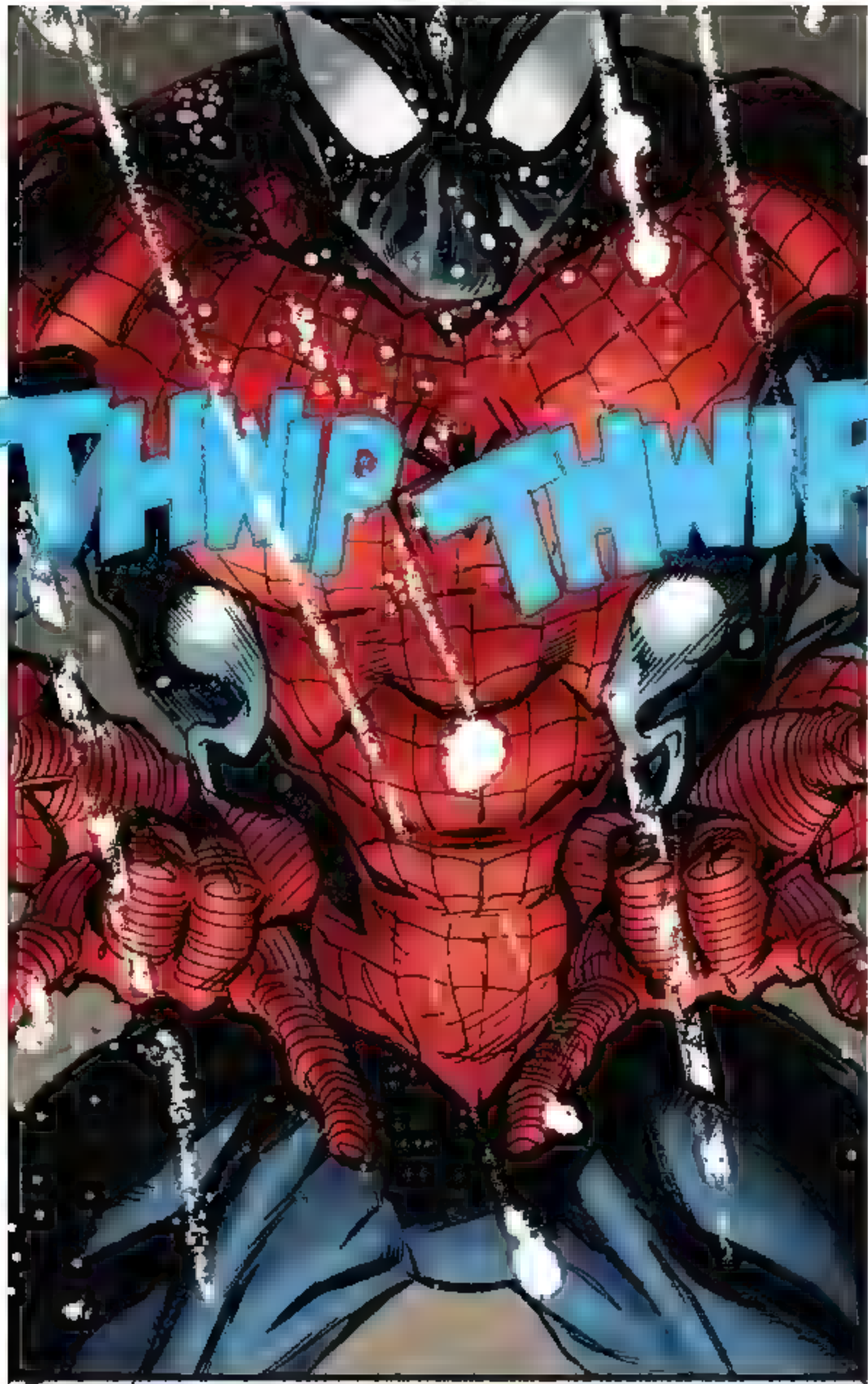
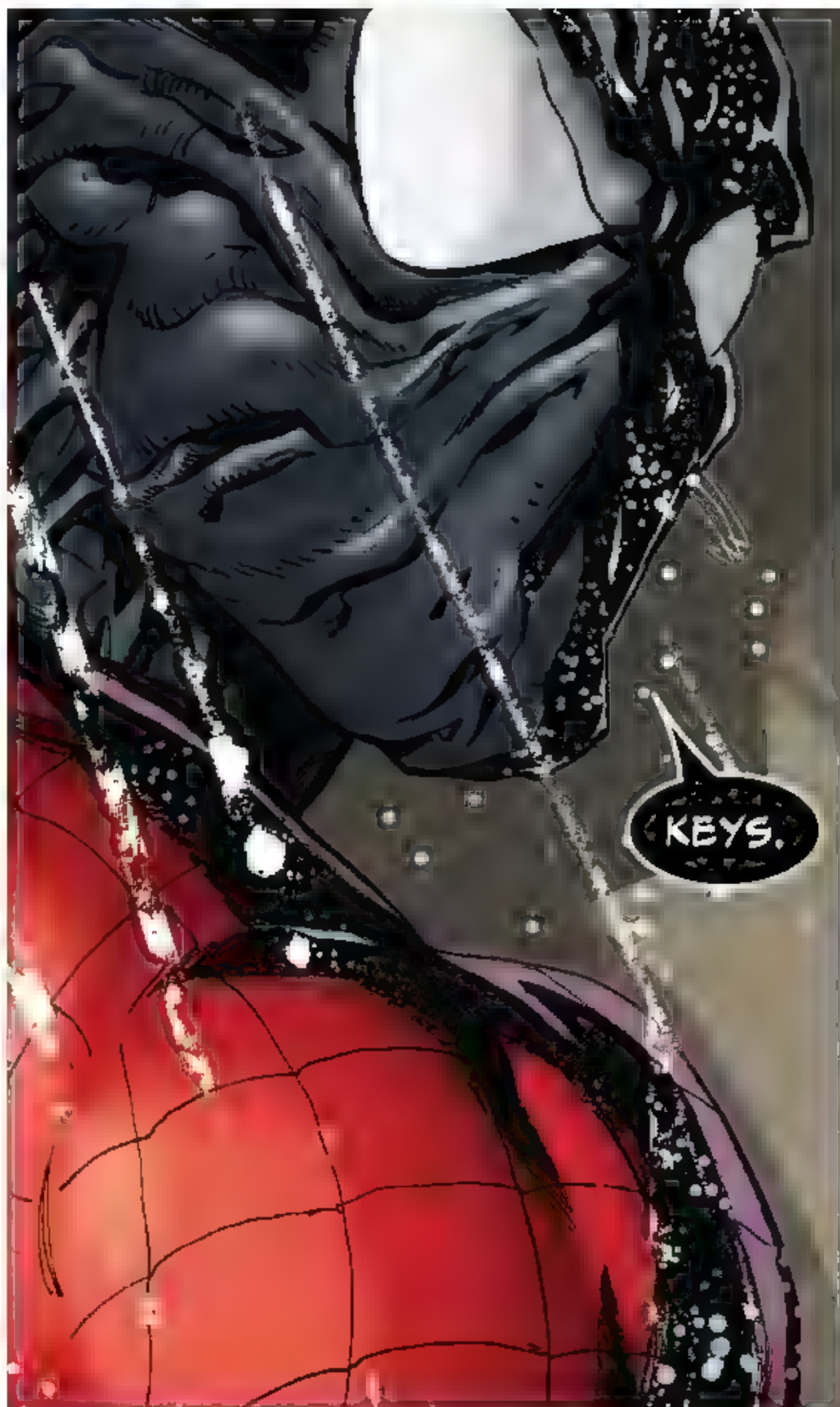
CAVIAR. FOIE GRAS. SOME OF THE MOST EXPENSIVE WINES ON THE EAST COAST.

TRUST US. THE GUYS WE WORK FOR ONLY EAT THE GOOD STUFF. AND THEY HATE PAYING FOR IT.



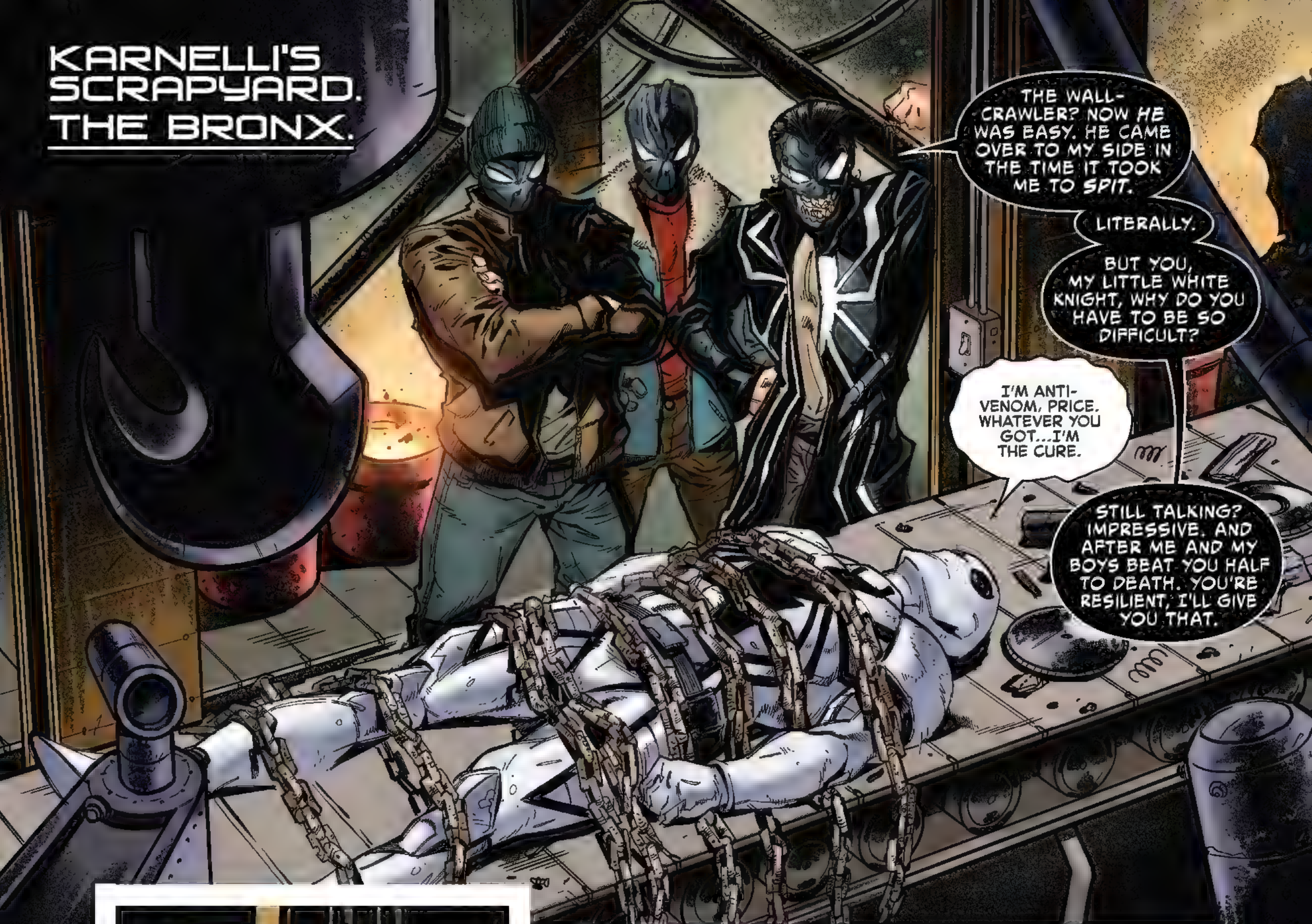
SPIDER-MAN!

WAIT. WHAT'S UP WITH HIS VOICE?





KARNELLI'S
SCRAPYARD.
THE BRONX.



THE WALL-CRAWLER? NOW HE WAS EASY. HE CAME OVER TO MY SIDE IN THE TIME IT TOOK ME TO SPIT.

LITERALLY.

BUT YOU, MY LITTLE WHITE KNIGHT, WHY DO YOU HAVE TO BE SO DIFFICULT?

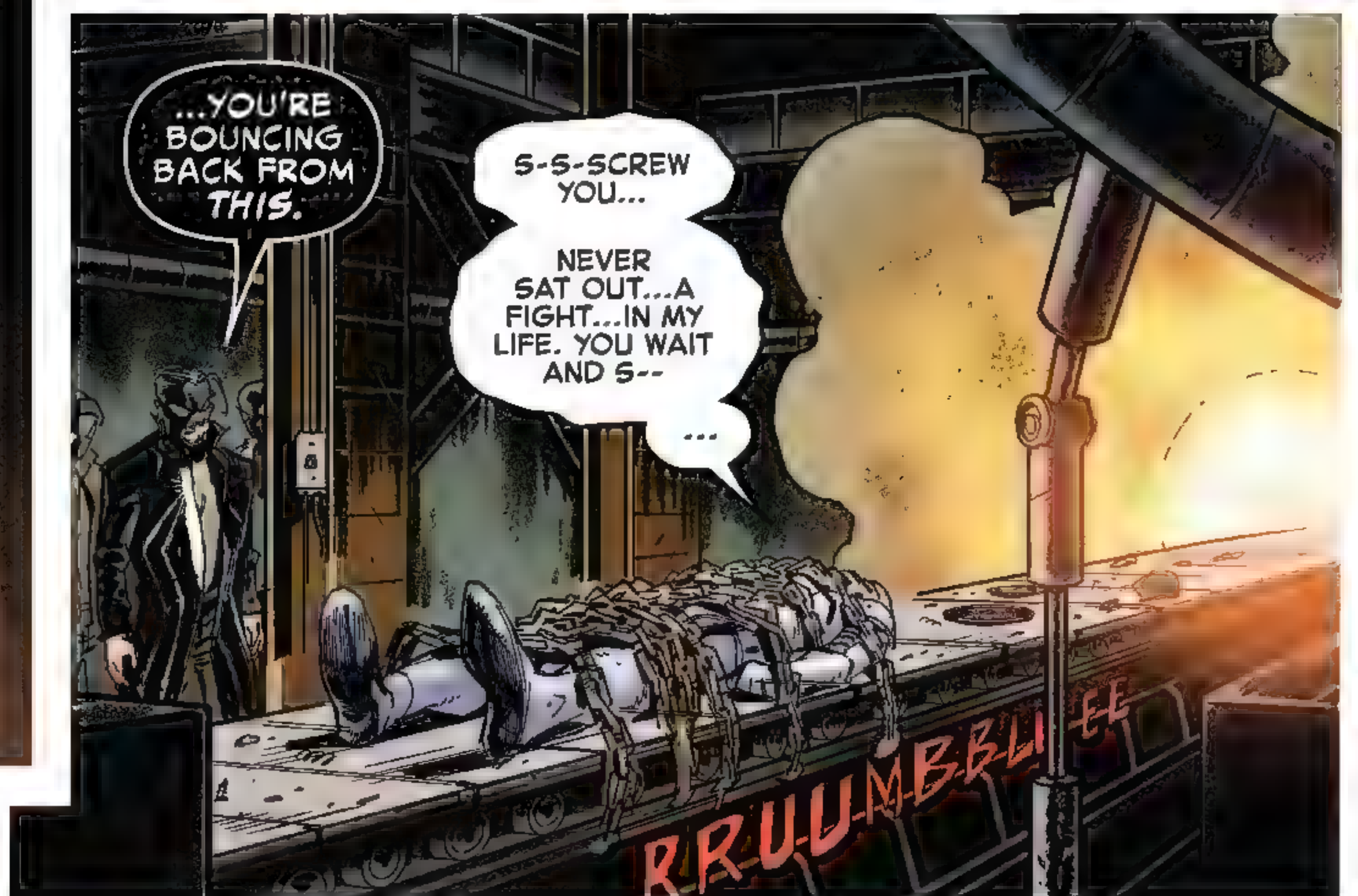
I'M ANTI-VENOM, PRICE. WHATEVER YOU GOT...I'M THE CURE.

STILL TALKING? IMPRESSIVE. AND AFTER ME AND MY BOYS BEAT YOU HALF TO DEATH. YOU'RE RESILIENT, I'LL GIVE YOU THAT.



BUT THERE AIN'T NO WAY...

CLICK



...YOU'RE BOUNCING BACK FROM THIS.

S-S-SCREW YOU...

NEVER SAT OUT...A FIGHT...IN MY LIFE. YOU WAIT AND S--

RRUUMBLLEE

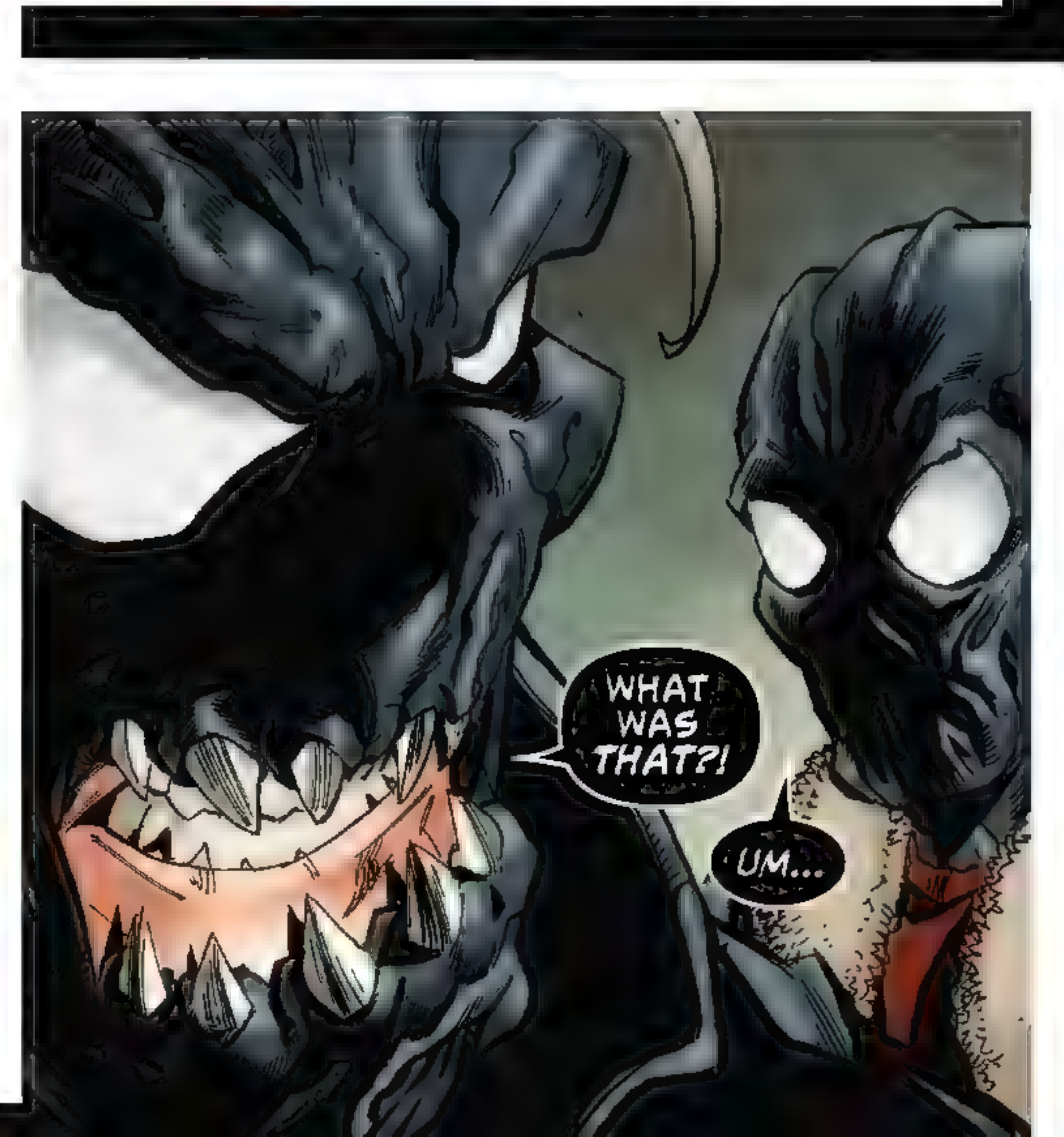


YEAH. NOT HAPPENING. GOT PLACES TO BE.

AND THE TEMPERATURE HERE, IT DON'T AGREE WITH ME AND MY BETTER HALF.

BOYS, STAY. MAKE SURE OUR FRIEND THERE KISSES HIS ASH GOODBYE.

BUT BOSS, IT IS KINDA HOT IN HERE AND--



WHAT WAS THAT?!

UM...



...THERE'S
A SUPER HERO
WHO NEEDS
SAVING!

WHO THE
#\$%& IS
THIS?!

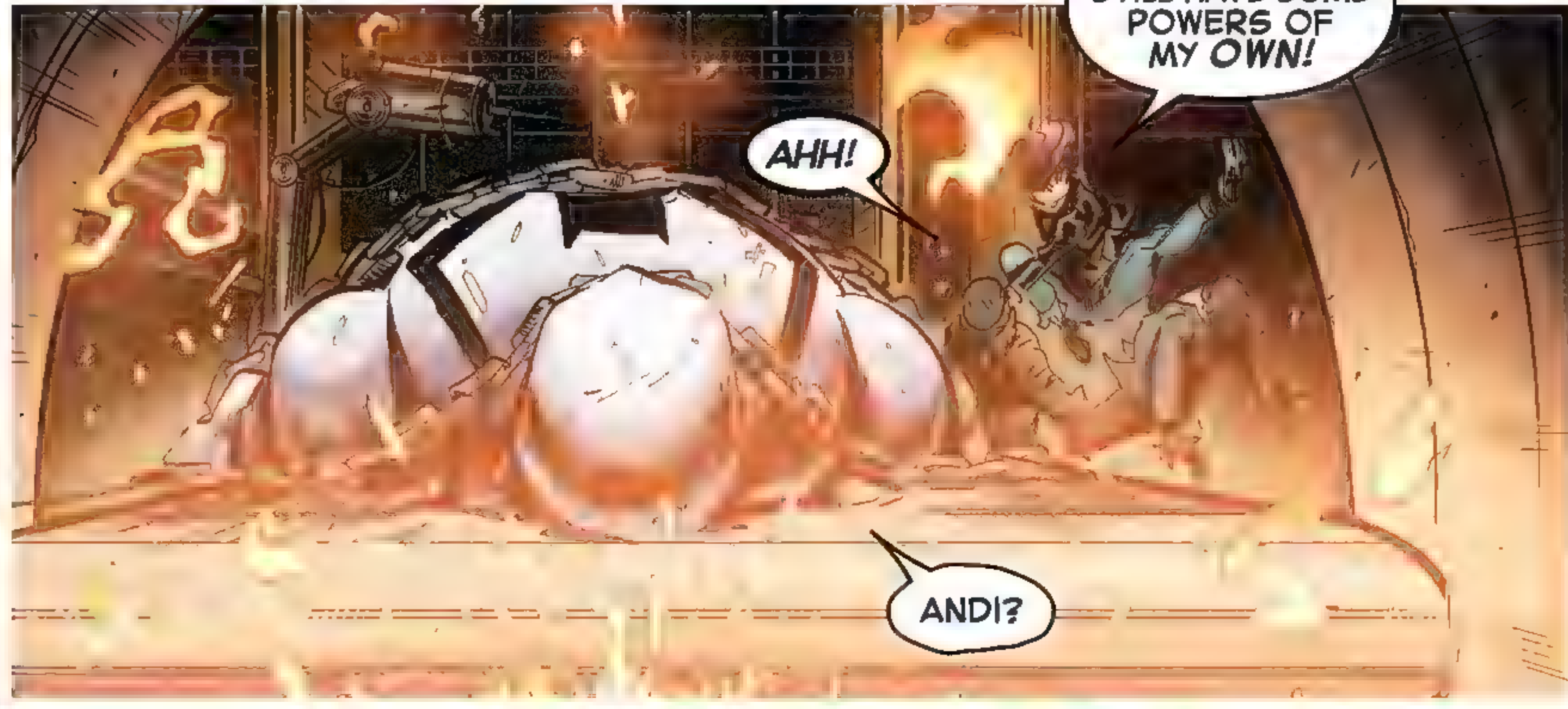
THE
NAME'S
MANIA,
CREEPS!

AND YOUR
BOSS MAY
HAVE MY
SYMBIOTE...

...BUT I
STILL HAVE SOME
POWERS OF
MY OWN!

AHH!

ANDI?



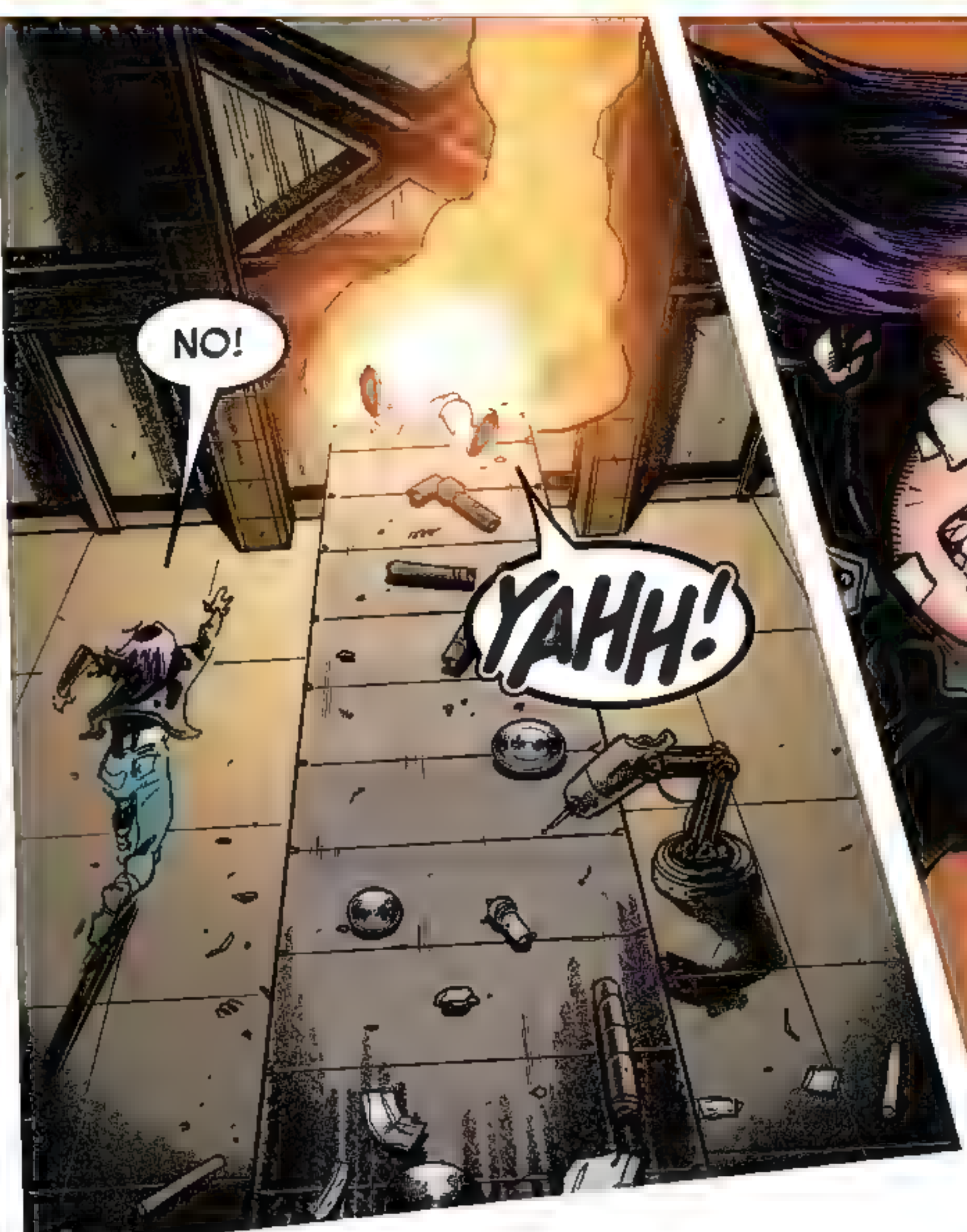
COACH?!
THAT'S YOU?!

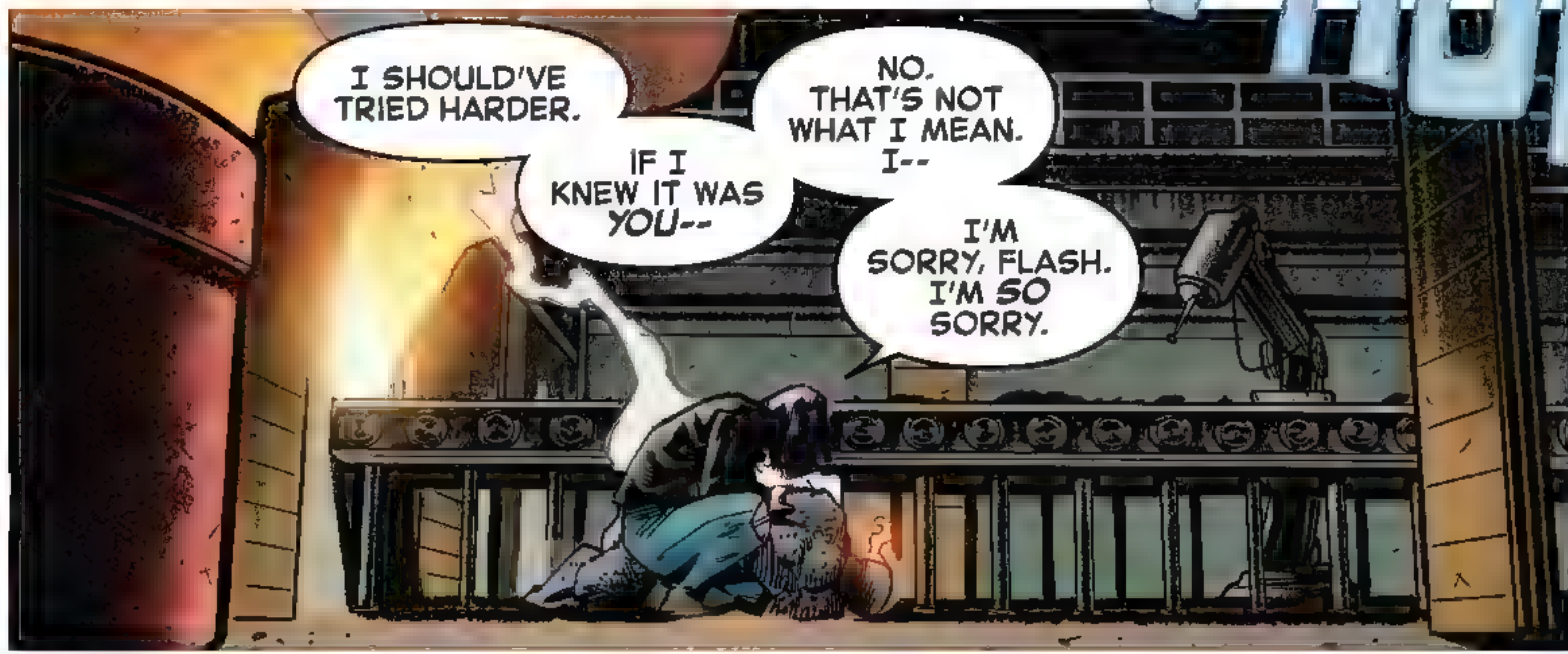
NO!

YAAH!

HOW'D I
SCREW THIS
UP SO
BAD?!

HANG
IN THERE!
I GOT
YOU!

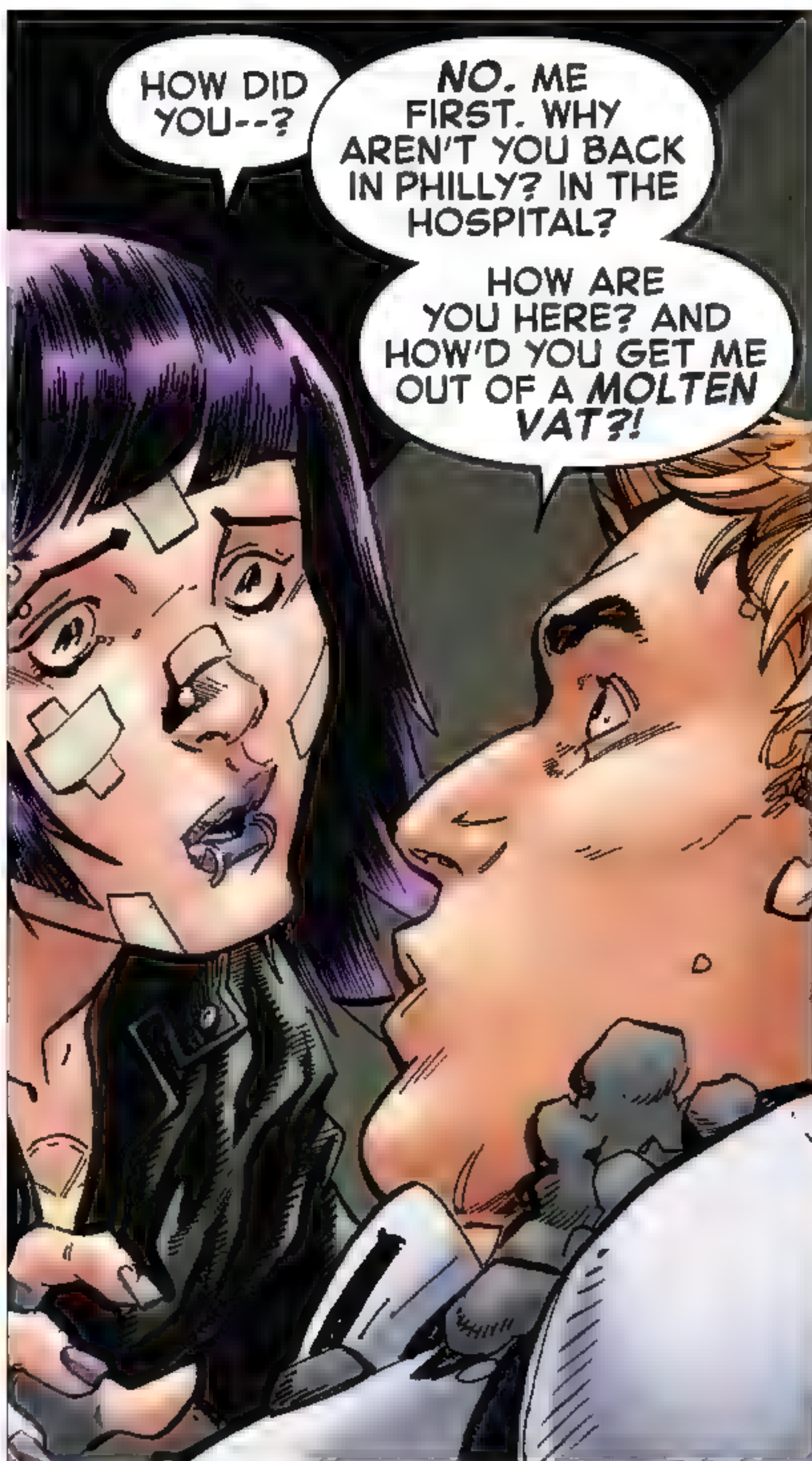






HOLY--!

HUHHHHH!



HOW DID YOU--?

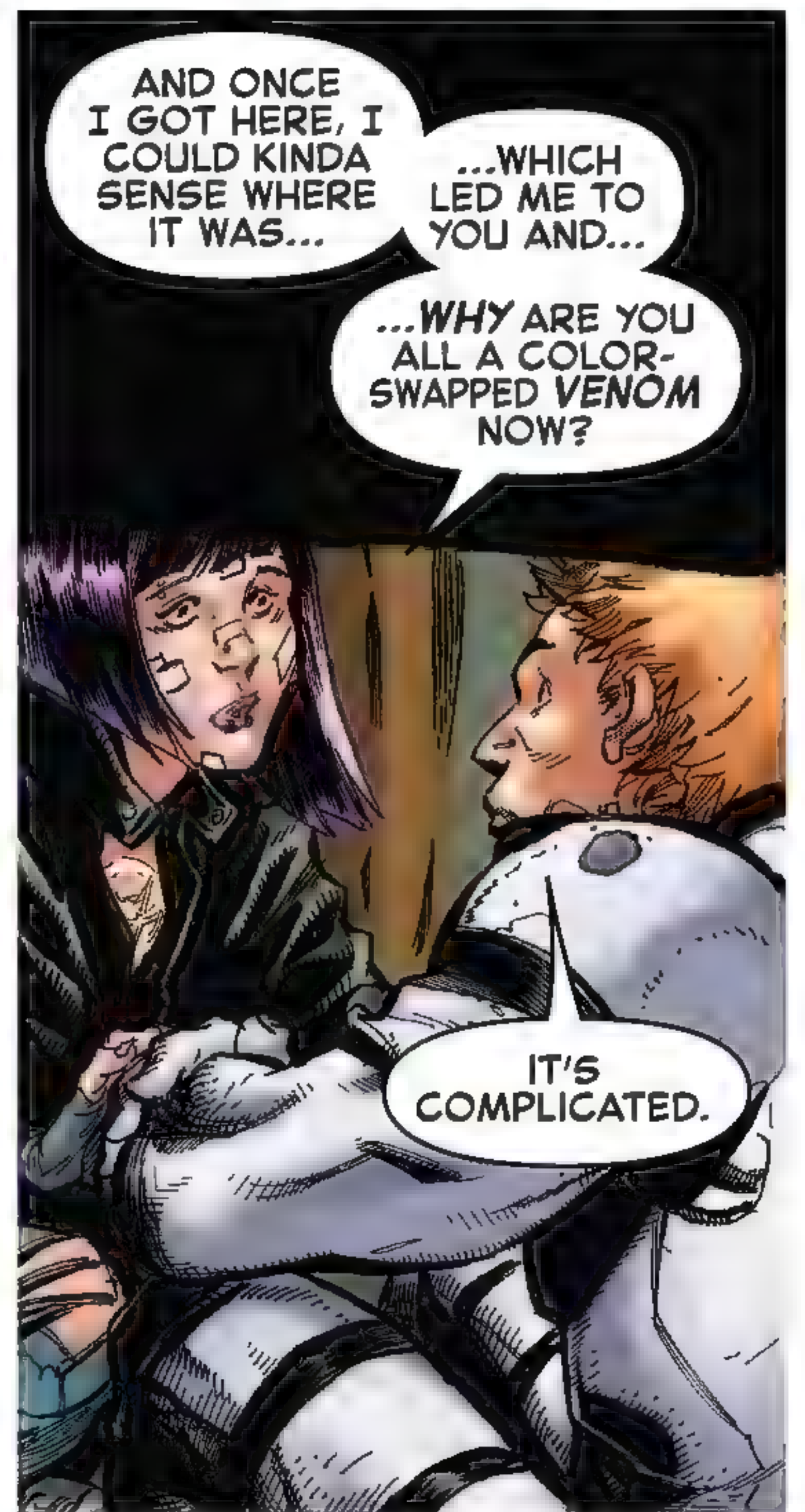
NO. ME FIRST. WHY AREN'T YOU BACK IN PHILLY? IN THE HOSPITAL?

HOW ARE YOU HERE? AND HOW'D YOU GET ME OUT OF A MOLTEN VAT?!



WELL, I'VE STILL GOT MY MYSTIC HELL-MARK. AND THAT HELPED ME WITH THOSE SYMBIOTE-Y GOONS. AND THE VAT OF FIRE.

AND C'MON. DID YOU THINK I WAS JUST GOING TO HANG BACK IN PHILLY AFTER YOU TOLD ME MY SYMBIOTE WAS IN NEW YORK?



AND ONCE I GOT HERE, I COULD KINDA SENSE WHERE IT WAS...

...WHICH LED ME TO YOU AND...

...WHY ARE YOU ALL A COLOR-SWAPPED VENOM NOW?

IT'S COMPLICATED.



MORE COMPLICATED THAN EVERYTHING I JUST SAID?

I DON'T THINK ANYTHING IS MORE COMPLICATED THAN THAT.

LOOK, I'LL TELL YOU ON THE WAY.

TO WHAT?

THAT NEW BADDY, MANIAC, HE USED PART OF YOUR SYMBIOTE TO TURN SPIDEY... WELL...EVIL.

WE GOTTA FIND HIM. THINK YOU CAN DO THAT?

WHY NOT? IT FEELS LIKE THAT KIND OF DAY.



ALL THAT
WORK ON MY
ASTROBIOLOGICAL
SERUM, DOWN
THE TUBES.

LIVE AND
LEARN, I
GUESS.

ON THE
BRIGHT SIDE, I
NO LONGER NEED
IT TO TREAT MR.
BROCK'S--



--CONDITION.

DR.
STEVE.

UM,
HELLO,
EDDIE.

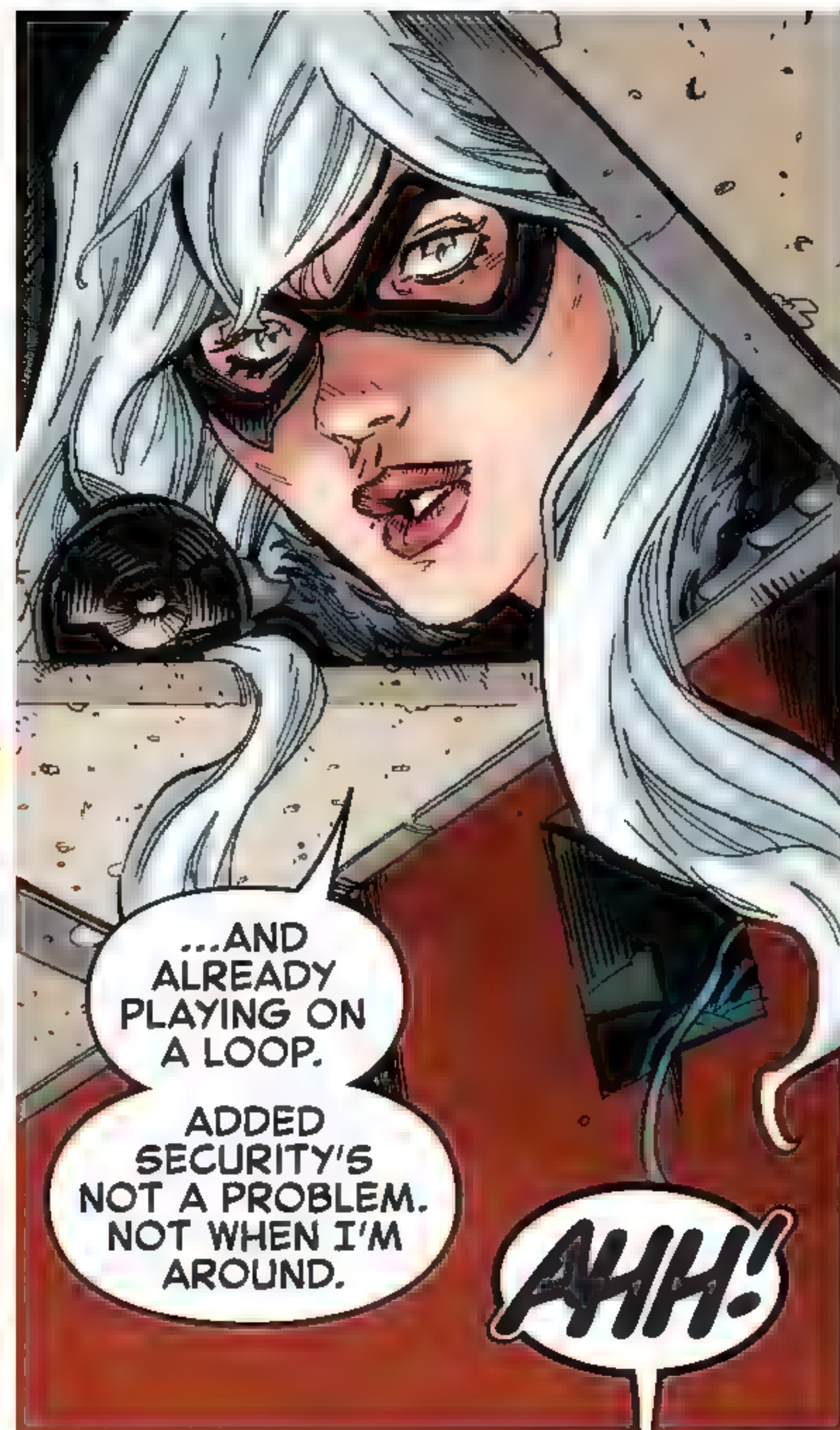
THE
ARTIFICIAL
ANTI-VENOM!
WE NEED
IT!



WHAT
HAVE YOU
DONE WITH
IT?!

MS. ALLAN--
SHE HAD IT ALL
REMOVED TO AN EXTRA-
SECURE LOCATION.
FOR STUDY.

SHE HAD
SECURITY FOOTAGE,
EDDIE--OF EVERYTHING
THAT HAPPENED IN THE
LAB AND--



OFF THE BRONX EXPRESSWAY

HERE HE IS NOW, MY UNFRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD SPIDER-SLAVE. HOW'S MY FAVORITE DELIVERY BOY?

YOU KNOW, BOSS, IF I WASN'T COMPLETELY UNDER YOUR CONTROL...

....I MIGHT TAKE A LITTLE OFFENSE AT THAT.

REALLY?

NAH. HOW COULD I GET MAD AT THAT FACE?

GOOD MAN. NOW WHAT'D YOU BRING ME?

ANOTHER TRUCKLOAD OF GOODIES. KITCHEN SUPPLIES. WAITER UNIFORMS. EVEN GOT SOME FRENCH MAID OUTFITS IN THERE.

OH I AM SO TEMPTED TO ASK YOU TO PUT THAT ON.

AND I'D DO IT TOO. JUST GIVE THE WORD.

IF ONLY, BUT WE'RE ON THE CLOCK.

PARTY POOPER.

TELL ME, DO YOU KNOW WHY I PICKED THESE SPECIFIC TRUCKS FOR YOU TO HIJACK?

NO CLUE.

BLACK CAT HAD ALL OF THESE HEISTS PLANNED FOR HER BOYS.

YOU'RE RATTLING HER CAGE.

EXACTLY. I WAS HOPING YOU PULLING HER JOBS MIGHT GET THE CAT'S ATTENTION...

...AND DRAW HER INTO THE OPEN.

HEY, I'VE BEEN FAR FROM SUBLT.

OH, I KNOW. TAKE A LOOK.

DAILY BUGLE
RASH OF HIGHWAY ROBBERIES
Seven trucks hijacked in one night by mystery bandit.
[Click here for more.](#)

"MYSTERY BANDIT"? NOW I AM OFFENDED.

MAYBE I SHOULD GIVE 'EM A ONE-ON-ONE EXCLUSIVE?



NORMALLY, YOU'D NEVER HEAR THE PITTER-PATTER OF MY LITTLE FEET.

BUT THAT'S WHAT I LOVE ABOUT SUBTERRANEAN VAULTS.

IT'S THE AIR, DEAR. THEY HAVE TO VENT IT DOWN.

WHICH MAKES IT OH SO EASY...



...TO PUMP IN SOME KNOCK-OUT GAS AHEAD OF TIME.

SWEET DREAMS... WHAT'S YOUR NAME? AH.



"HUGO."



THERE IT IS. MY ASTROBIOLOGICAL SERUM. GOOD NEWS, MR. BROCK. WE CAN BEGIN YOUR TREATMENTS AGAIN.

NAH. WE'RE NOT LOOKING FOR ANY MEDICATION, DR. STEVE.

THEN WHAT IN THE WORLD DO YOU NEED IT FOR?

WE NEED YOU TO WEAPONIZE IT. ME AND EDDIE, HERE, WE'RE GOING ON A HUNT.

FOR LEE PRICE. AND ALL OF HIS "MADE MEN."



I'M TELLING YOU, ROBBIE, IT ALL CHECKS OUT. SPIDER-MAN'S ON A CRIME SPREE.

HE'S BEEN HIJACKING TRUCKS ALL OVER THE FIVE BOROUGHES.

WELL, CHECK IT AGAIN. THE BUGLE'S GOT A BAD REP FOR CALLING SPIDEY OUT FOR CRIMES HE NEVER COMMITTED. I WON'T ADD TO IT.

LOOK AT THESE MANIFESTS. CATERING SUPPLIES, SNOOTY FOOD, FINE WINES, UNIFORMS...

...THE WALL-CRAWLER'S EITHER OPENING A RESTAURANT OR THROWING ONE HELL OF A PARTY.

THE DAILY BUGLE.

COLIN, I'M NEW HERE, BUT SOMETIMES IT FEELS LIKE ALL WE DO IS REPORT ABOUT--



SPIDER-MAN!

BREAKING NEWS! IT'S YOURS TRULY! LITERALLY!

AHH!

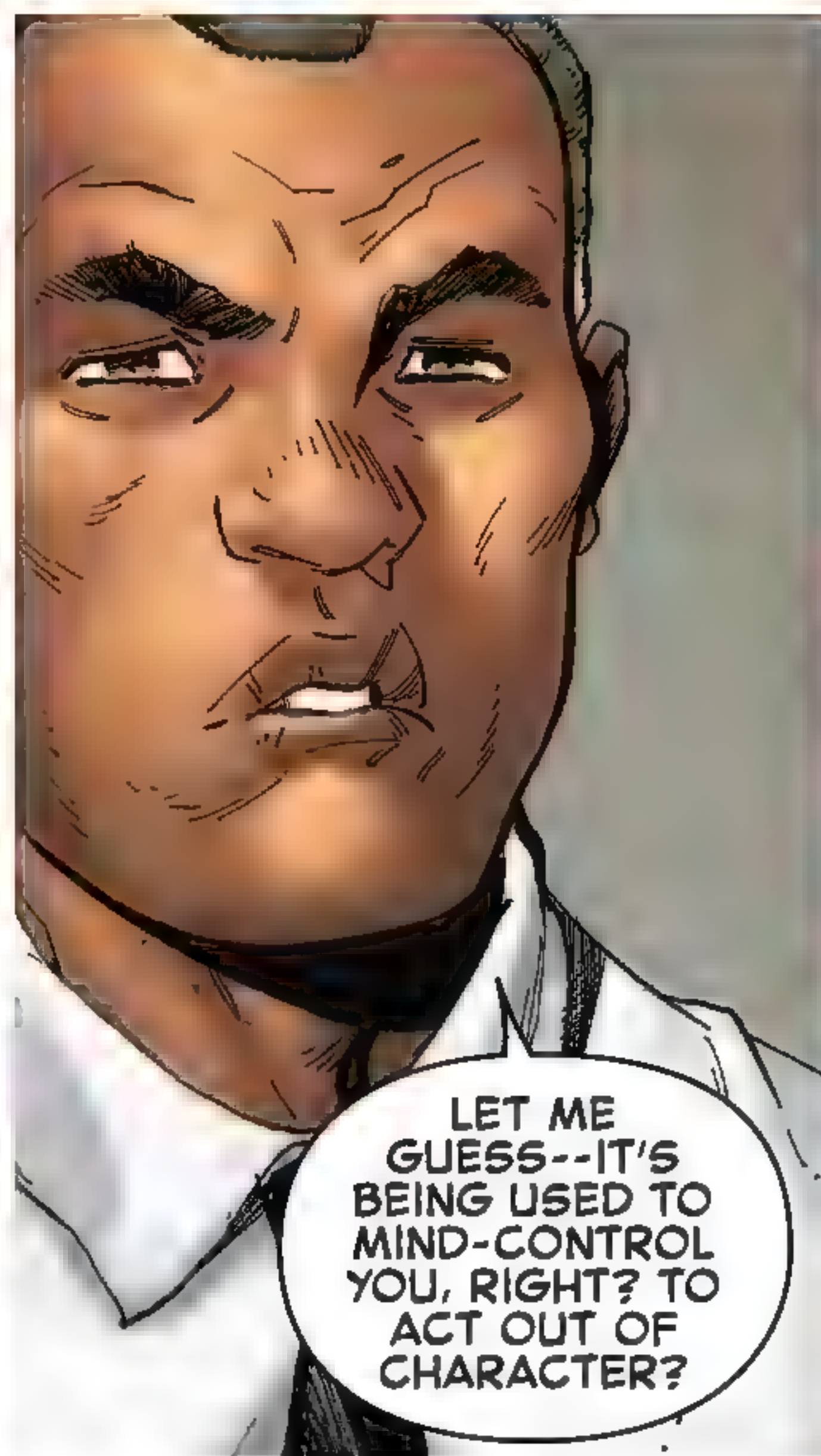


HI. LETTER TO THE EDITOR. TAKE THIS DOWN.

"SPIDER-MAN: MYTH OR MENACE." THAT'S THE HEADLINE DISCERNING READERS WANNA SEE.

BUT FOR ONCE YOU JERKS ARE SOFT-PEDDLING IT. C'MON! WHAT'S A GUY GOTTA DO TO GET SOME INK!

LOOKS LIKE YOU ALREADY GOT SOME. NICE MASK, SON.



LET ME GUESS--IT'S BEING USED TO MIND-CONTROL YOU, RIGHT? TO ACT OUT OF CHARACTER?



JOE ROBERTSON, YOU ARE NO FUN AT ALL. IN YE OLDE DAYS, IT WOULD'VE TAKEN JONAH AGES TO FIGURE THAT OUT.

THIS NEW BUGLE IS BO-RING. WHERE'S MY TRASHY TABLOID WHEN I NEED IT?





YOIKS! HEY, FLASH! LONG TIME NO SEE. WHAT'S UP?

SPIDEY, I KNOW MANIAC'S MESSING WITH YOUR HEAD, SO I PROMISE TO GO EASY ON YOU.



GOOD TO KNOW.

GRAB



I WON'T!

YANK



KRAK!

UNHH!

SO, THOMPSON, YOU GOTTA TELL ME...

... 'CAUSE I KNOW YOU, YOU'RE NOT THE SHARPEST TOOL...

HOW'D YOU FIND ME SO QUICKLY?



WELL....





AND THAT'S HOW "U" MAKE A BIG IMPRESSION.

SEE WHAT I DID THERE?

WOULD HAVE BEEN PERFECT AFTER KILLING YOU WITH THE GIANT "I."



HUH...
FLASH?
YOU OKAY?
FLASH?!

SORRY, IT'S THE MIND-CONTROL. YOU ARE NOT GETTING MY BEST WORK HERE.

NOT THAT YOU DESERVE IT OR ANYTHING.

SURE, FOR YEARS YOU WERE MY BIGGEST FAN, BUT THERE'S SOMETHING YOU SHOULD KNOW, THOMPSON...



...I ALWAYS LAUGHED AT THAT.

'CAUSE I KNEW WHO YOU WERE.

A WORTHLESS, DUMB JOCK.



THE...REAL SPIDEY...

...HE'D NEVER...SAY THAT.

MY TOUCH...CAN CURE YOU IF--

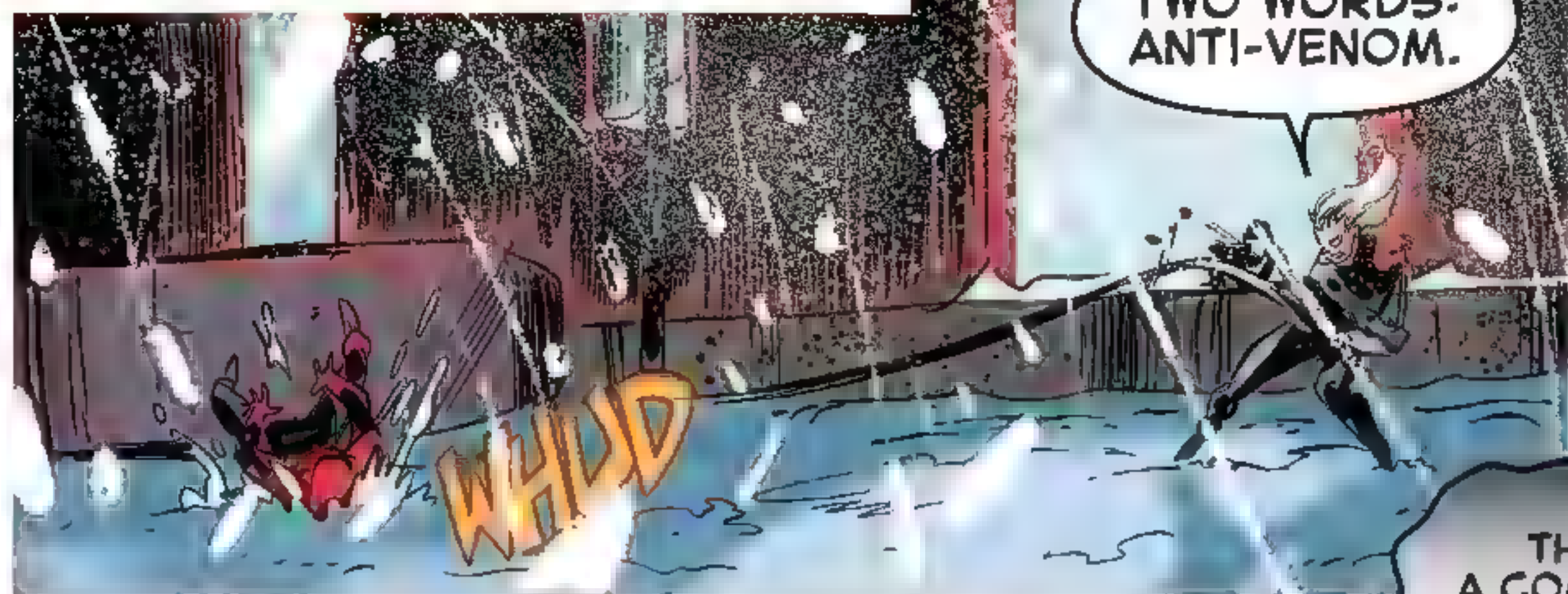
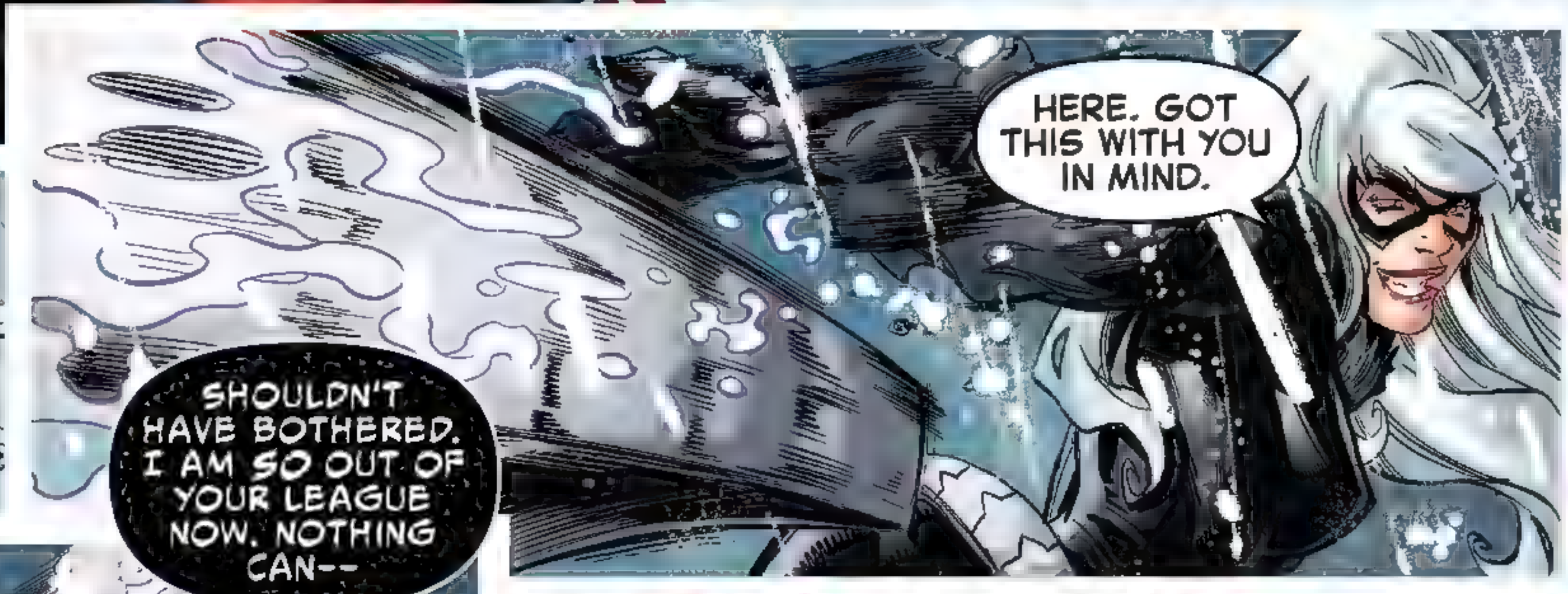
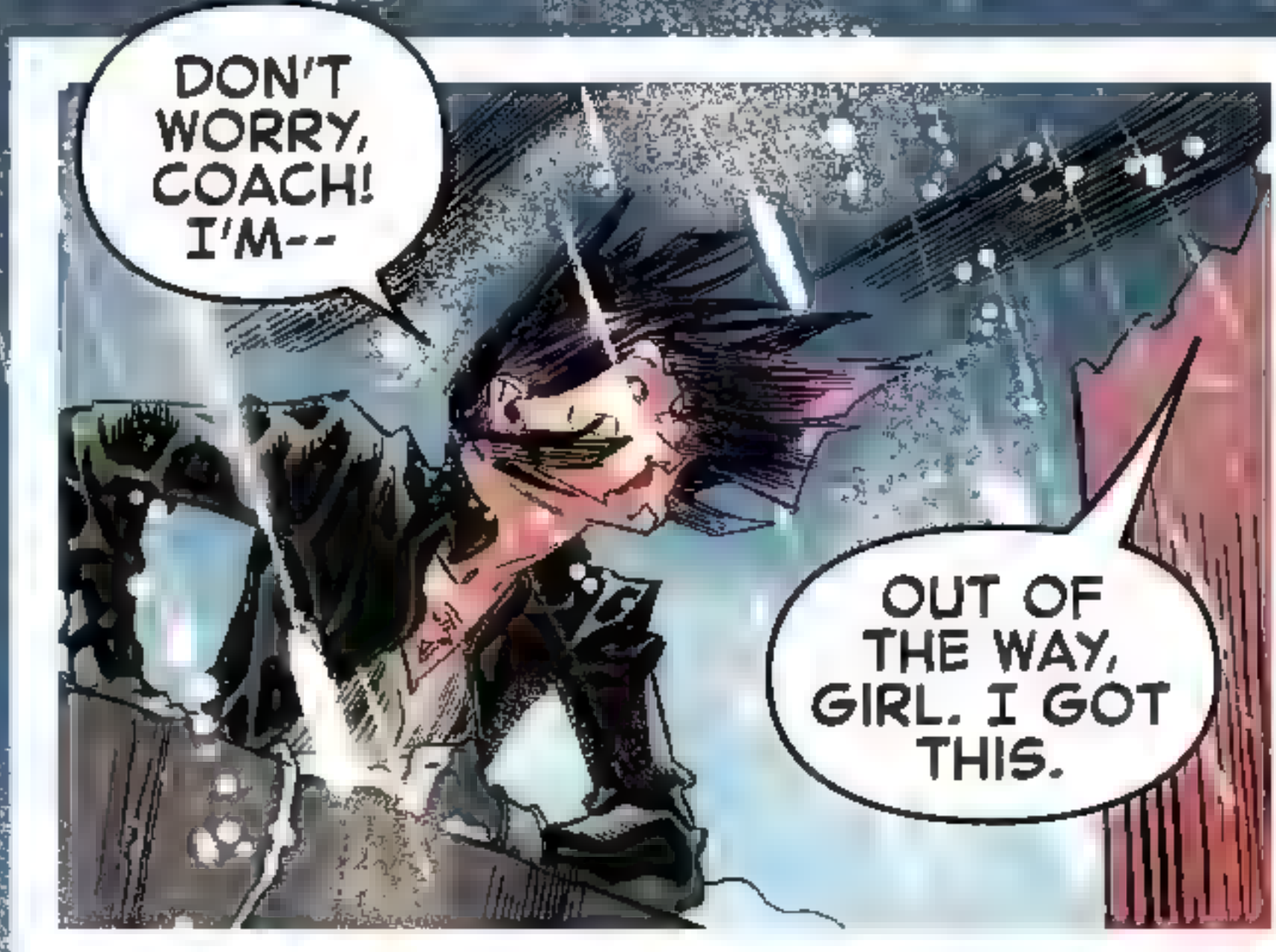


EW. COOTIES.

NO THANKS.

YOU DIE NOW. OKAY?

UHHH!





I COULD'VE DONE THAT.

BUT YOU DIDN'T, SWEETIE.

YOU ARE ENJOYING THIS WAY TOO MUCH.



MOVE ASIDE.

WE DESERVE A CRACK AT 'IM!

IT'S OVER, BROCK. HE'S BACK TO NORMAL.

YEAH? SO? WE OWE HIM SOME LUMPS. AND WE GOT ALL THESE NEW TOYS.

SAVE 'EM FOR PRICE.

WHOA. VENOM. ANTI-VENOM. IT'S SYMBIOTE CENTRAL OVER HERE.

HATE TO ADMIT IT, BUT FELICIA'S RIGHT. WE NEED TO JOIN FORCES.

WAIT. YOU'RE BACK IN THE GAME. WE GOT BLACK CAT AND VENOM RIGHT HERE! AND WE'RE NOT THROWING DOWN?

THERE'S NO TIME. I WAS PART OF MANIAC'S GANG--A MADE MAN. I KNOW WHAT HE'S PLANNING.

OUT WITH IT, BUG! WHAT'S PRICE UP TO?

HE WANTED CAT AND THE REST OF US OCCUPIED SO HE COULD MAKE HIS MOVE ON THE FIVE FAMILIES!

DO YOU *GET* WHAT WE'RE UP AGAINST NOW?

WAIT. I'M NOT FOLLOWING. THE GUY WHO HAS MY MANIA SYMBIOTE IS AFTER--?

THE FIVE FAMILIES!

AND THEY ARE...?

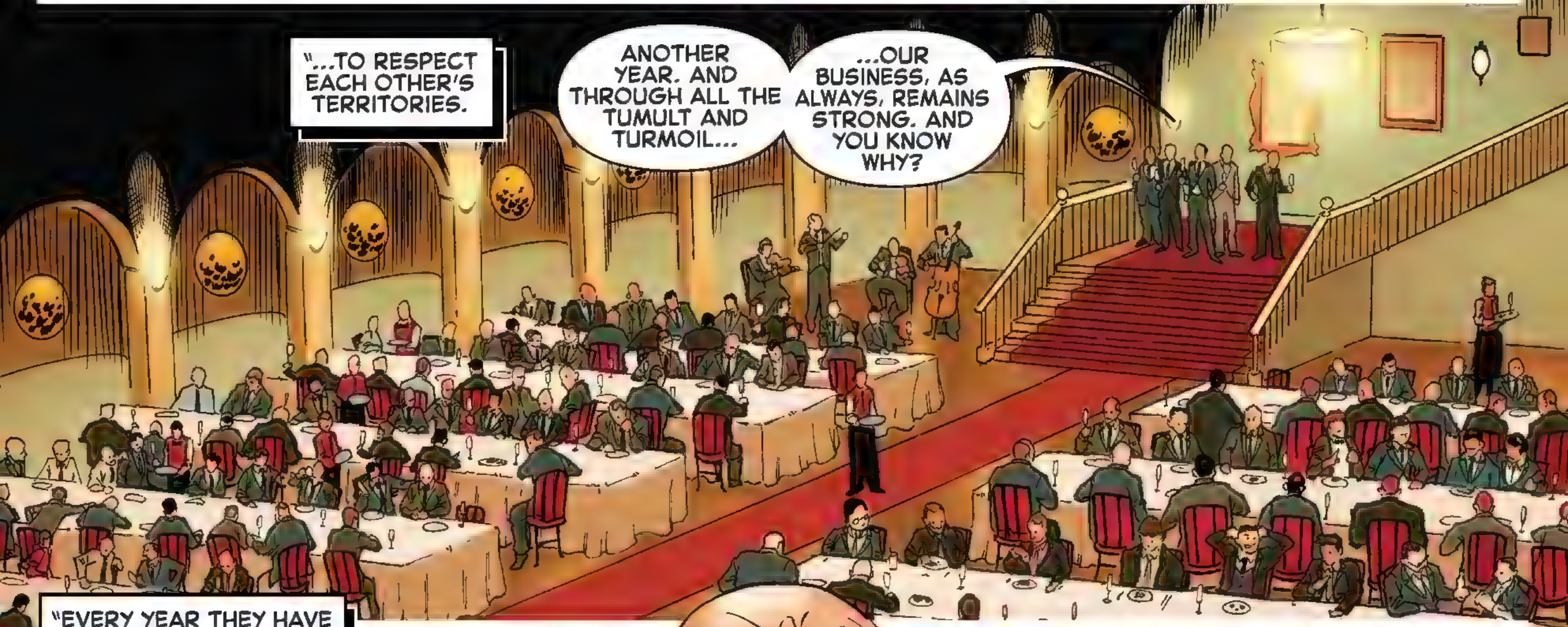
THE END ALL AND BE ALL, KID...



"...THE FIVE LARGEST
CRIME FAMILIES IN
THE WORLD.

"ALL OF THEM
BOUND TOGETHER
IN AN UNEASY
ALLIANCE...

GENTLEMEN.



"...TO RESPECT
EACH OTHER'S
TERRITORIES.

ANOTHER
YEAR. AND
THROUGH ALL THE
TUMULT AND
TURMOIL...

...OUR
BUSINESS, AS
ALWAYS, REMAINS
STRONG. AND
YOU KNOW
WHY?

"EVERY YEAR THEY HAVE
A SIT-DOWN--A SECRET
GET-TOGETHER TO
RENEW THEIR PACT...

'CAUSE
EVERY DAMN
ONE OF US WAS
SMART ENOUGH
TO STAY IN
OUR OWN
BACKYARDS.

NEVER
FORGET
THAT.

A TOAST.
TO THE
TRUCE.

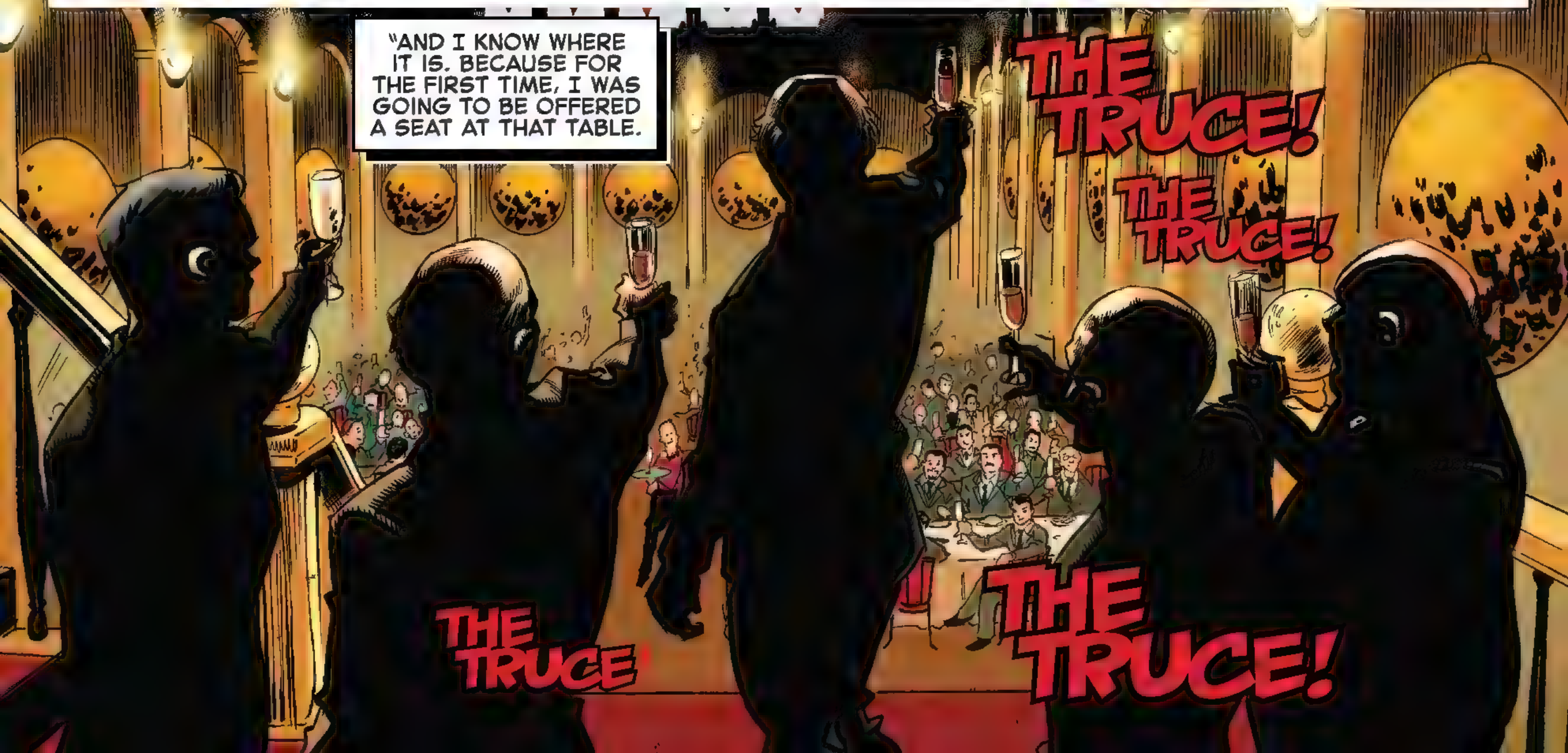


"AND I KNOW WHERE
IT IS. BECAUSE FOR
THE FIRST TIME, I WAS
GOING TO BE OFFERED
A SEAT AT THAT TABLE.

**THE
TRUCE!
THE
TRUCE!**

**THE
TRUCE**

**THE
TRUCE!**





"THAT'S WHAT PRICE HAS BEEN AFTER."



"HE NEVER WANTED MY GANG."



"HE WANTED A WAY IN."



"HE WANTED IT ALL."

GUYS, THERE'S SOMETHING YOU SHOULD KNOW.

I WENT AND SPIT IN ALL YOUR FOOD.



YOUR FOOD TASTERS WOULD'VE WARNED YOU...

...BUT THEY WORK FOR ME NOW.

LIKE YOU.

NO. SCRATCH THAT.



THIS IS MORE THAN WORK, RIGHT, BOYS?

FROM NOW ON WE'RE FAMILY.





BROCK,
YOU'RE OUR
HEAVY ARTILLERY. JUST
POINT YOURSELF AT
THE BIGGEST TARGETS
AND PUT THEM
DOWN.

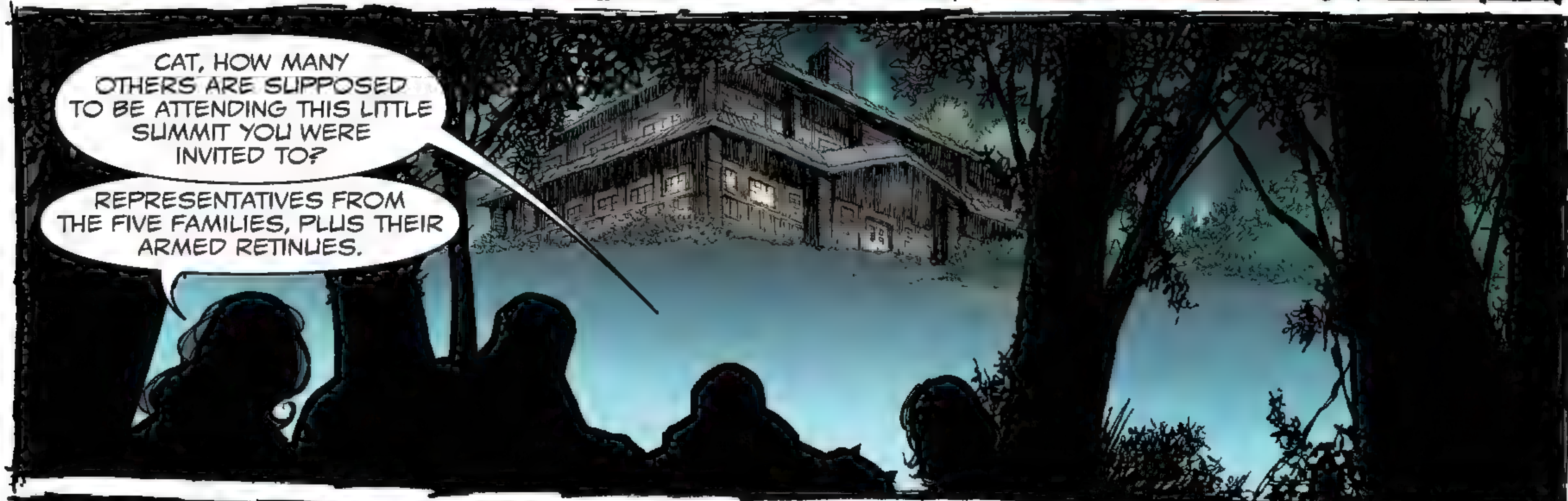
AS MANY AS
POSSIBLE AS FAST AS
POSSIBLE. WE HAVE A LIMITED
SUPPLY OF THE ROUNDS
WE MADE FROM MY
ANTI-VENOM.



CAT,
YOU TAKE ON THE
ONES THAT SLIP
THROUGH.

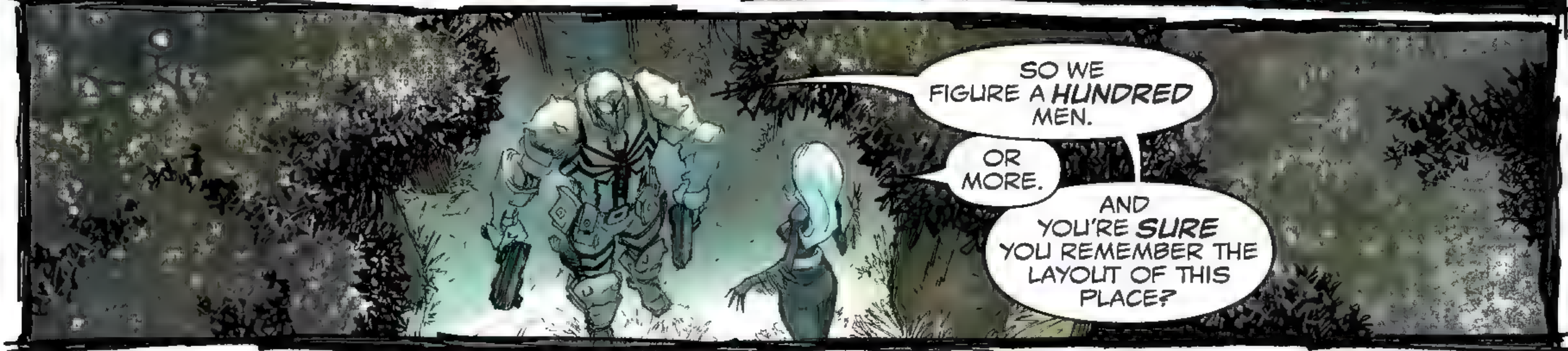


ANDI, THE
FLAME PROJECTION
FROM YOUR HELL-MARK GIVES YOU
A UNIQUE EDGE AGAINST SYMBIOTES.
YOU'RE OVERWATCH. KEEP US APPRISED
OF THE SITUATION FROM ABOVE, SNIPING
POTENTIAL PROBLEMS FORMING
UP BEHIND OUR LINES.



CAT, HOW MANY
OTHERS ARE SUPPOSED
TO BE ATTENDING THIS LITTLE
SUMMIT YOU WERE
INVITED TO?

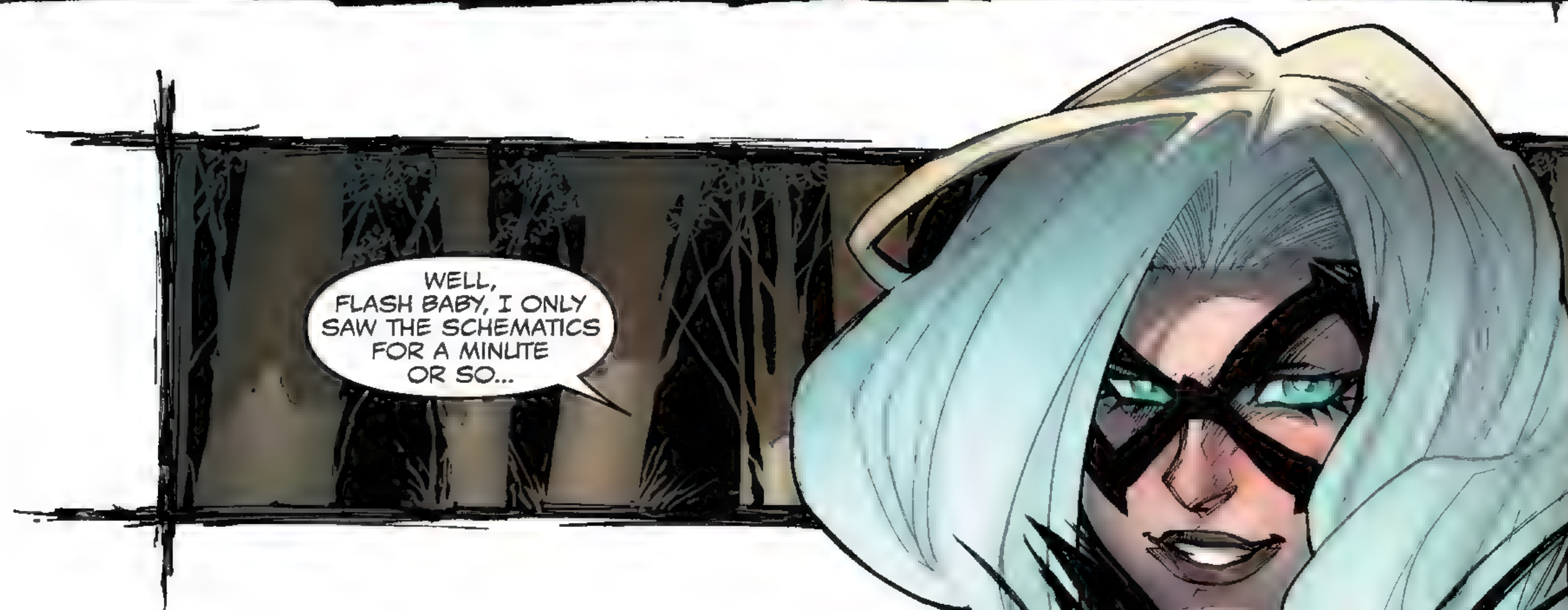
REPRESENTATIVES FROM
THE FIVE FAMILIES, PLUS THEIR
ARMED RETINUES.



SO WE
FIGURE A HUNDRED
MEN.

OR
MORE.

AND
YOU'RE SURE
YOU REMEMBER THE
LAYOUT OF THIS
PLACE?



WELL,
FLASH BABY, I ONLY
SAW THE SCHEMATICS
FOR A MINUTE
OR SO...

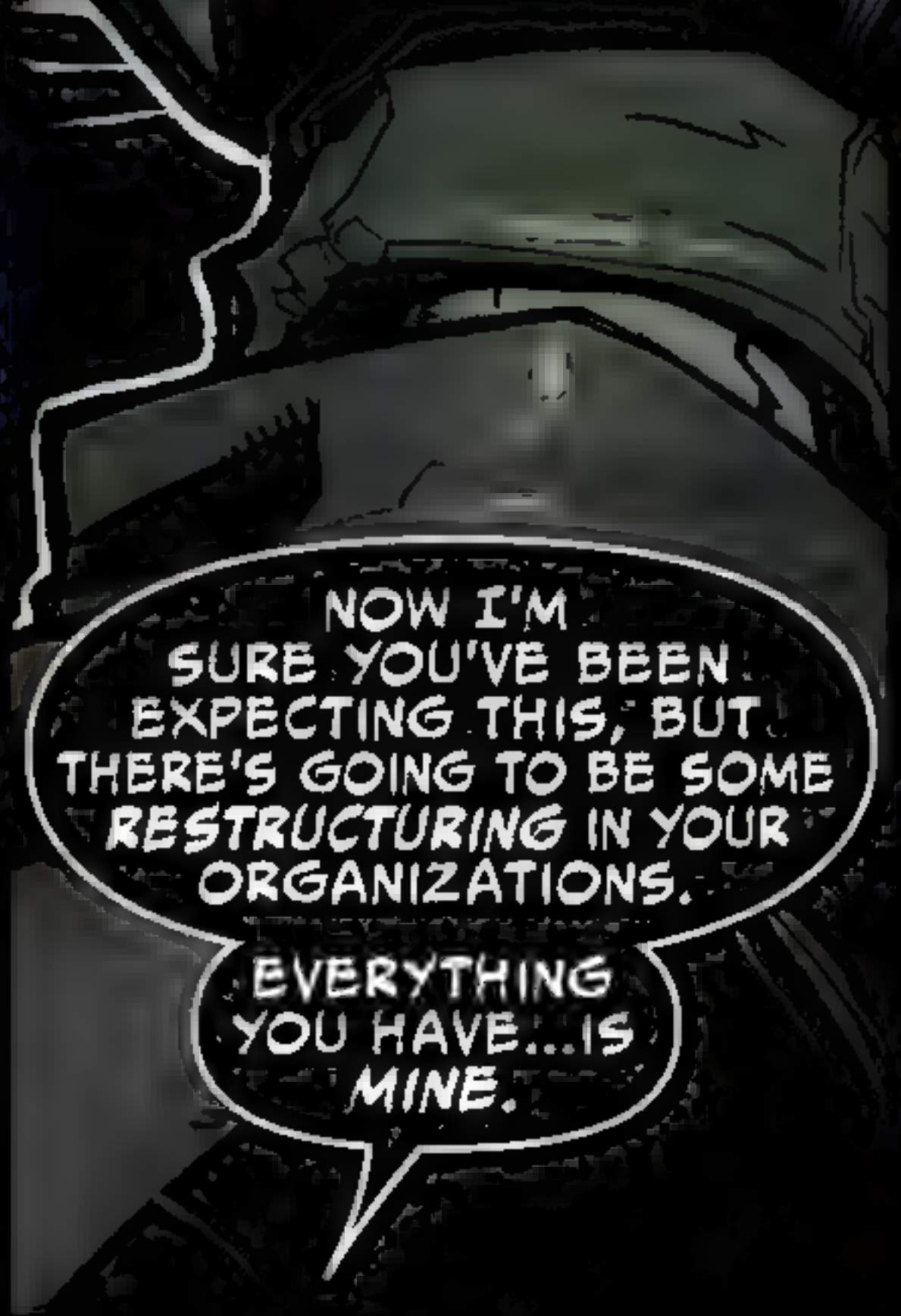
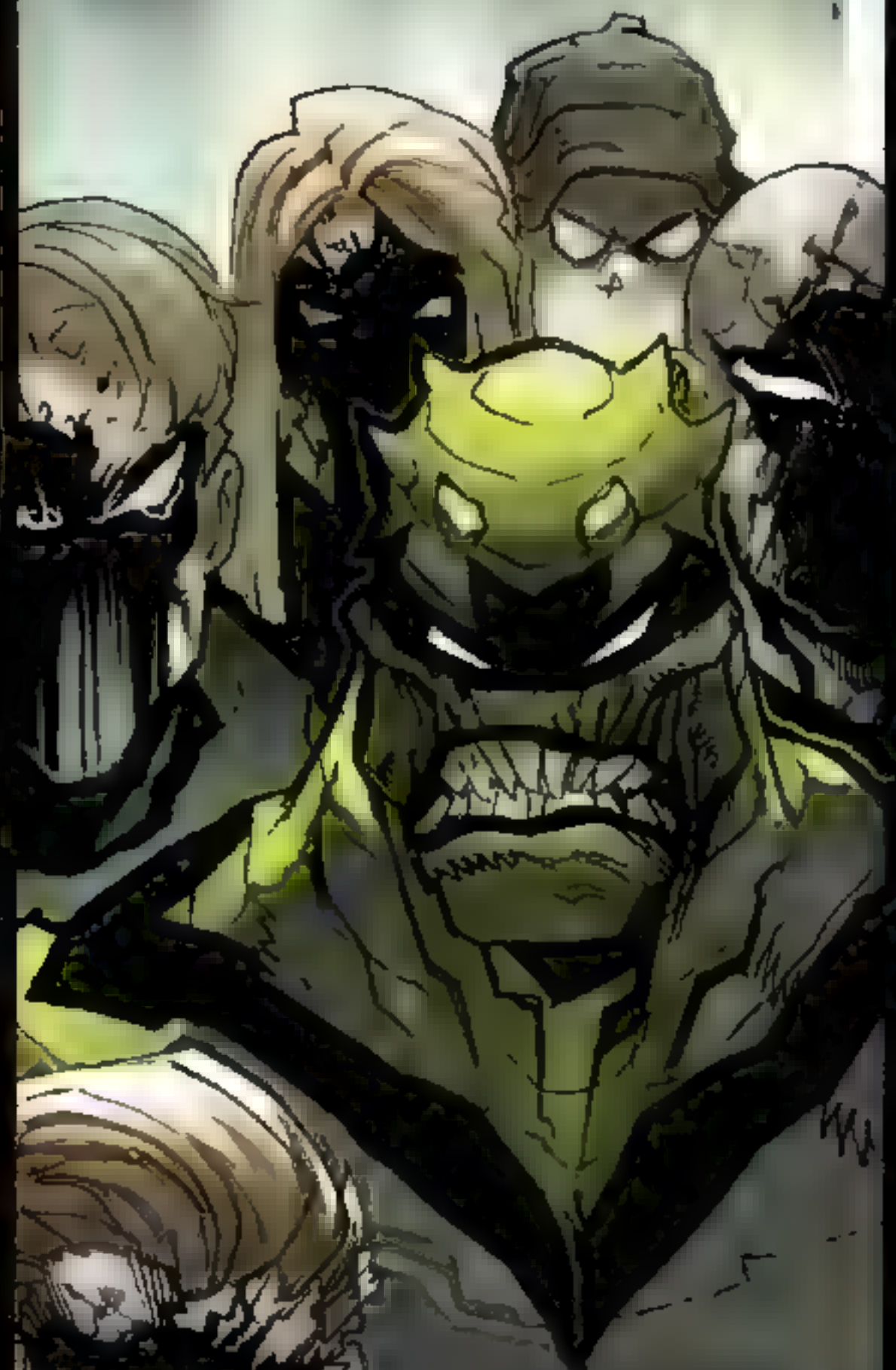


...BUT
I'M FEELING
LUCKY.

MEANWHILE....

I
GOTTA
SAY...

...IT'S
WONDERFUL
TO SEE SO MANY
NEW FACES ON
THE TEAM.



NOW I'M
SURE YOU'VE BEEN
EXPECTING THIS, BUT
THERE'S GOING TO BE SOME
RESTRUCTURING IN YOUR
ORGANIZATIONS.

EVERYTHING
YOU HAVE...IS
MINE.

YOU'LL
MOBILIZE
THE RAGTAG
GOONS AND
HOODLUMS YOU
HAVE UNDER YOUR
COMMAND, AND
THEY'LL FALL
IN LINE...

...OR
THEY'LL
DIE.



THEY'RE
MY ARMY
NOW.

AND HERE
COMES ONE
OF OUR BEST
SOLDIERS.





I EXPECTED YOU TO BE DRAGGING A CARCASS WITH YOU, SPIDER-MAN.

WHERE'S MY DEAD CAT?

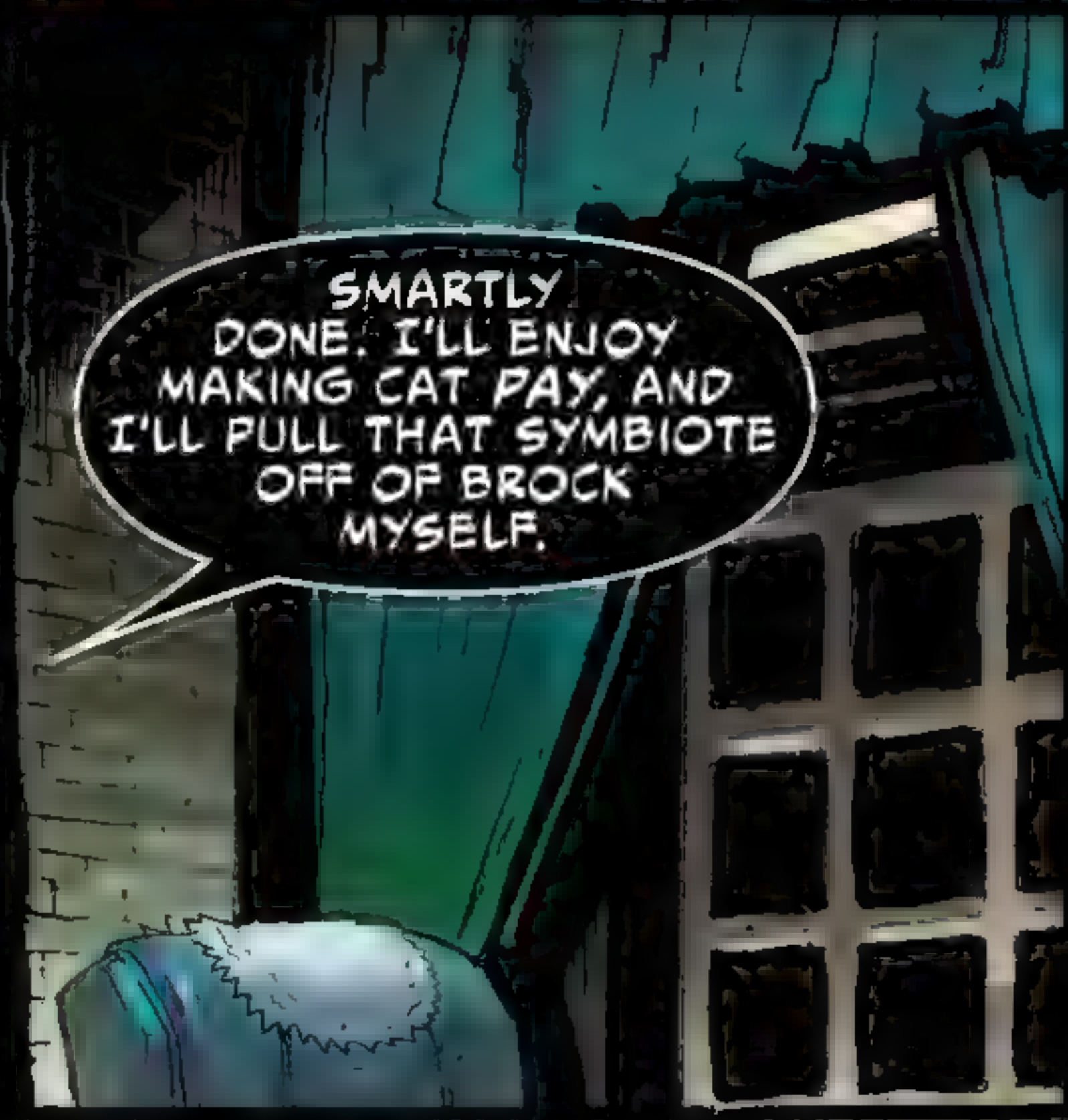


I HAD HER, BUT BROCK GOT THE DROP ON ME.



I WAS FORCED TO RETREAT, BUT I MADE SURE THEY COULD FOLLOW ME. I FIGURED YOU'D LIKE TO TAKE CARE OF THEM YOURSELF.

THEY THINK THEY HAVE THE DROP ON US.



SMARTLY DONE. I'LL ENJOY MAKING CAT PAY, AND I'LL PULL THAT SYMBIOTE OFF OF BROCK MYSELF.



GO SET A GREETING PARTY FOR HIM, BOYS.



YOU STAY
HERE, SPIDER-MAN. IF
EITHER OF THOSE "HEROES"
GET THROUGH, WE'LL SEE IF
THEY HAVE THE STOMACH
TO KILL YOU TO
GET TO ME.



YEAH, COOL
PLAN. USING
ME AS A HUMAN
SHIELD AGAINST
VENOM.

BUY
YOURSELF
A PRECIOUS
POINT-FIVE
SECONDS.



WAS...

...THAT A
JOKE?



OH. DO
YOU NOT
WISH ME TO
JOKE, UH,
SIRE?

DO I
CALL YOU
"SIRE"?



HE'S
BROKEN
FREE OF MY
INFLUENCE.

KILL HIM!



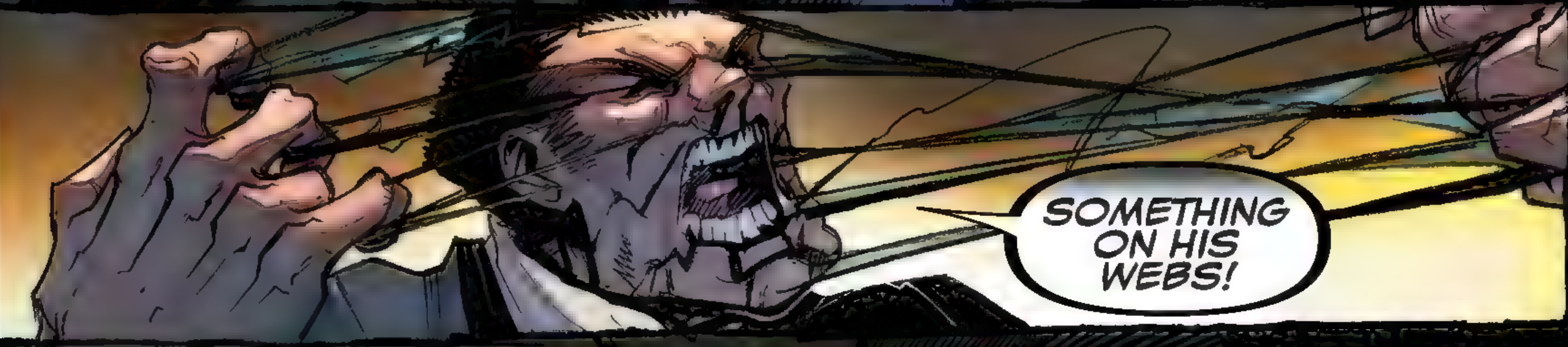
AW, MAN.
ALL THAT WORK
AND GLUE FOR
NOTHING!



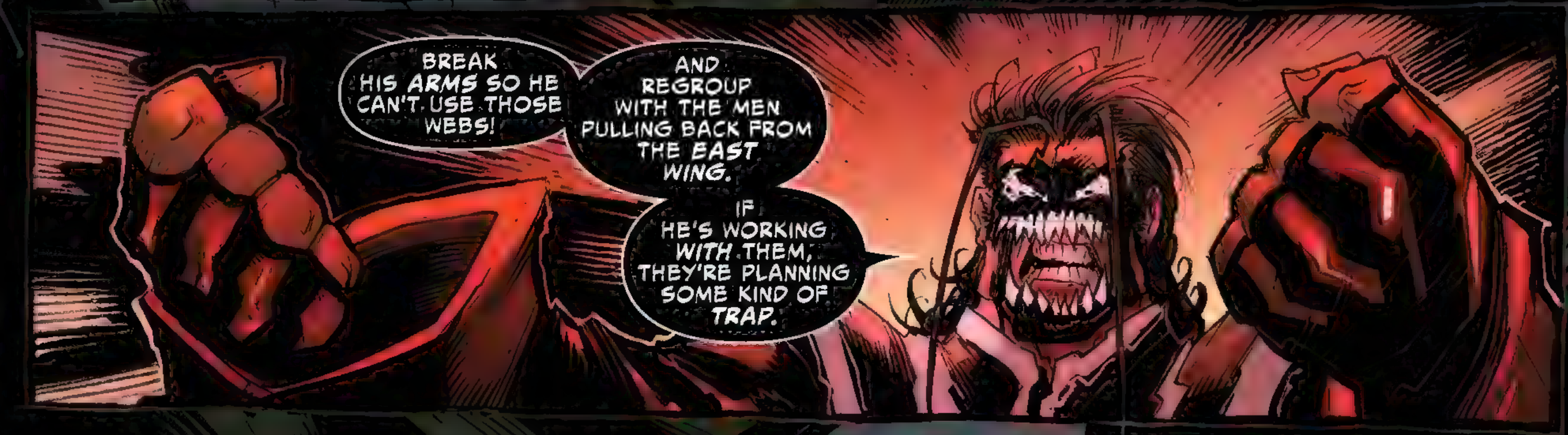
ME
AND MY BIG
MOUTH.

SSSSSSS

BURNS!



SOMETHING
ON HIS
WEBS!



BREAK
HIS ARMS SO HE
CAN'T USE THOSE
WEBS!

AND
REGROUP
WITH THE MEN
PULLING BACK FROM
THE EAST
WING.

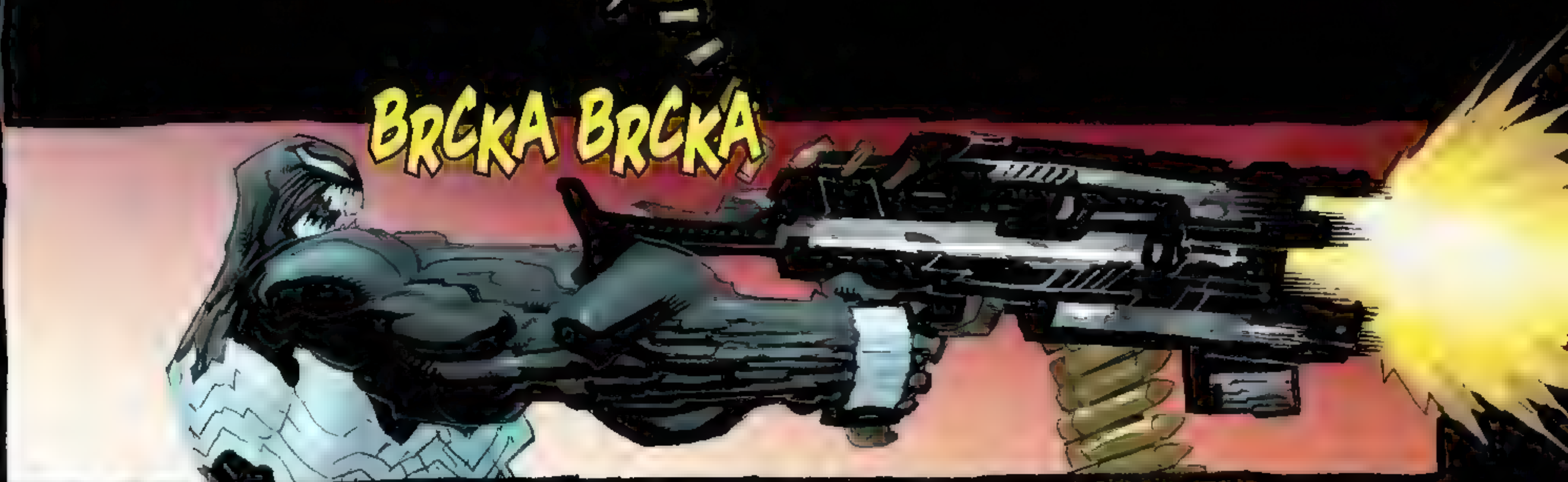
IF
HE'S WORKING
WITH THEM,
THEY'RE PLANNING
SOME KIND OF
TRAP.

GOOD TO
SEE YOU AGAIN,
PRICE.

THOUGHT I'D
DROP IN WITH SOME
FRIENDS.

DAMN,
IT'S GOOD TO
BE BACK!







BROCK
DOESN'T HAVE ENOUGH
BULLETS.

HEY!
HAMMERHEAD!

YOU FEELIN'
LIKE YOURSELF
AGAIN, PAL?

BECAUSE
WE REALLY
COULD USE ALL
THE HELP WE
CAN GET.



YOU...

...YOU
PUT ME
IN JAIL, LIKE,
A DOZEN
TIMES.



I MEAN...
SURE.

BUT, HEY,
YOU KEEP
GETTING
OUT,
RIGHT?

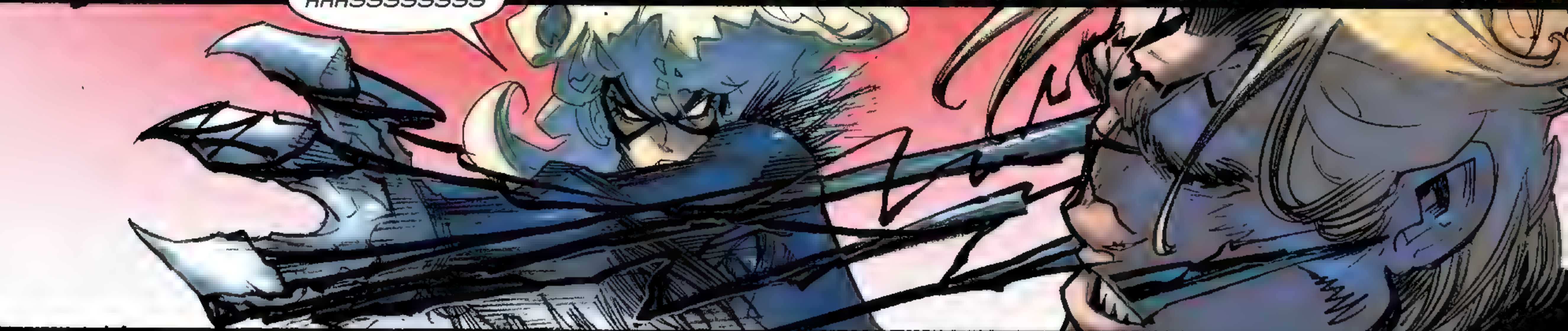


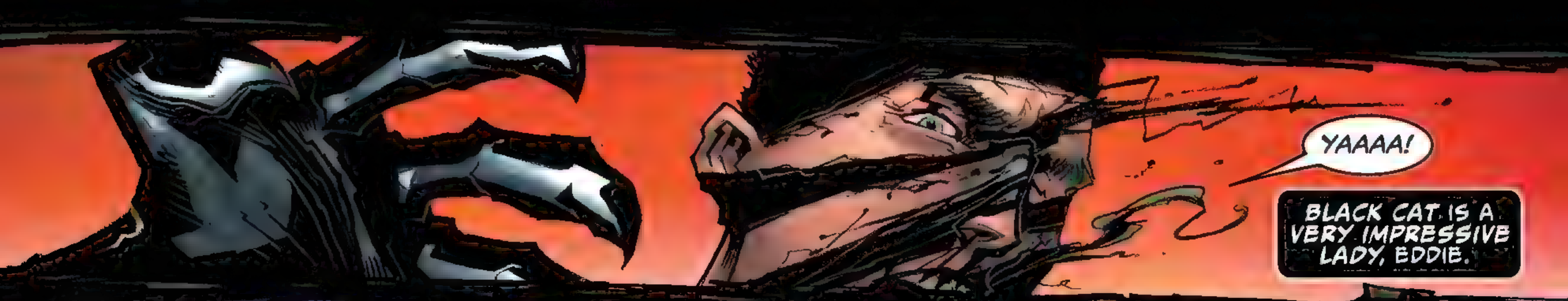
WHY IS
MY SPIDER-
SENSE--



OH,
COME
ON!

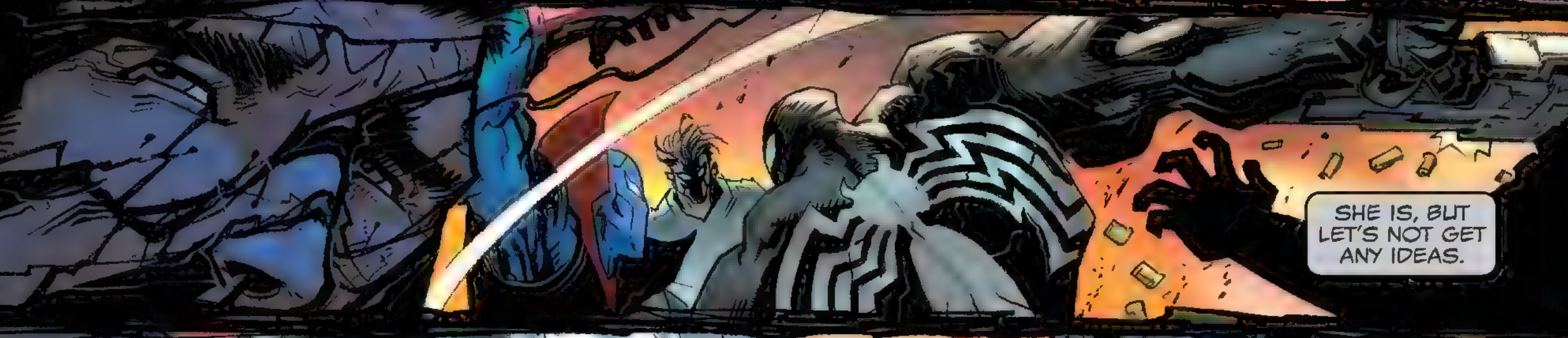
HHHSSSSSSSSSS





YAAAA!

BLACK CAT IS A
VERY IMPRESSIVE
LADY, EDDIE.



SHE IS, BUT
LET'S NOT GET
ANY IDEAS.



SHE PROBABLY HASN'T
FORGOTTEN HOW WE
NEARLY BEAT HER TO
DEATH THE FIRST TIME
WE MET. AH, WELL.

PRICE
HAS TURNED
HIS SYMBIOTE INTO
SOME KIND OF
DISEASE.



NYARGH!

LUCKILY,
WE HAVE THE CURE
RIGHT HERE.

BRCKA
BRCKA
BRCKA

NYARGH!

ALL'S FAIR
IN LOVE AND
WAR.

ARRRGH!



OOOOOH.
WHAT...WHAT
HAPPENED?

UNNGGG...

BOOM

THIS
ANTI-VENOM
STUFF DOESN'T
KILL THE
SYMBIOTE,
RIGHT?

LEE PRICE
IS INSANE,
THAT'S NOT THE
SYMBIOTE'S
FAULT!

SURE,
OF COURSE, WHY
WOULD ANYONE BLAME
THE MONSTER
FROM OUTER
SPACE?

FOCUS! KEEP
THE PRESSURE
ON!

HSSSSSS

NYAGH! IT
SSSSTINGS!

NO--DON'T
TAKE IT AWAY!
NOT AGAIN!

HSSSS

IT'S
WORKING!

WE'RE
WINNING! PUSH THAT
ADVANTAGE!

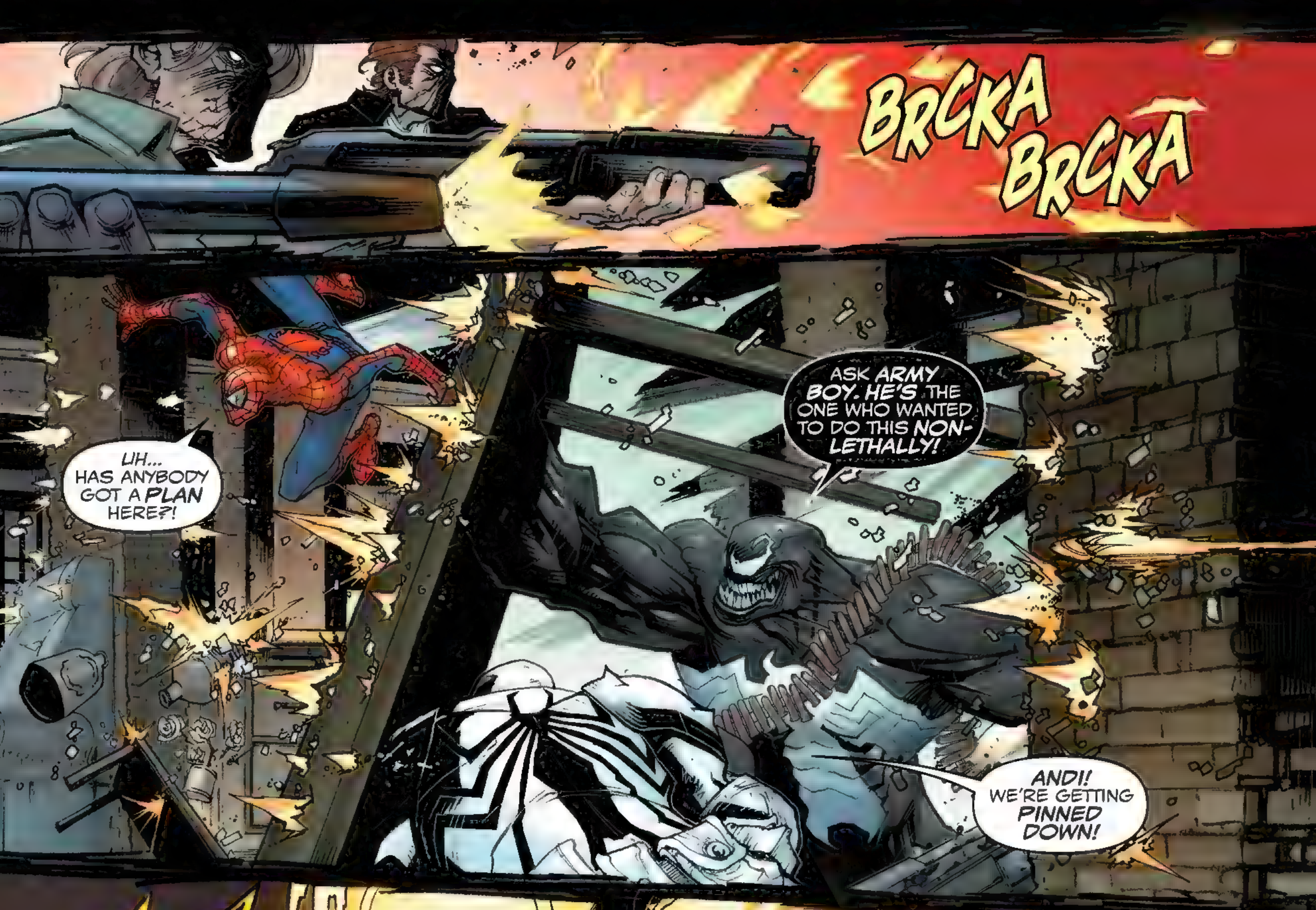
MAKE A HOLE
IN THEIR RANKS, GET
ME NEXT TO MANIAC
AND I CAN END
THIS!

HILARIOUS,
THOMPSON.

BUT YOU'RE
NEVER GETTING
CLOSE TO
ME.

DON'T YOU
THINK I PLANNED
FOR THIS? DON'T YOU
THINK I CHECKED
EVERY INCH OF
THIS PLACE?

DON'T YOU
THINK I MADE SURE
THERE WAS AN ARMORY
HERE?



BRCKA
BRCKA

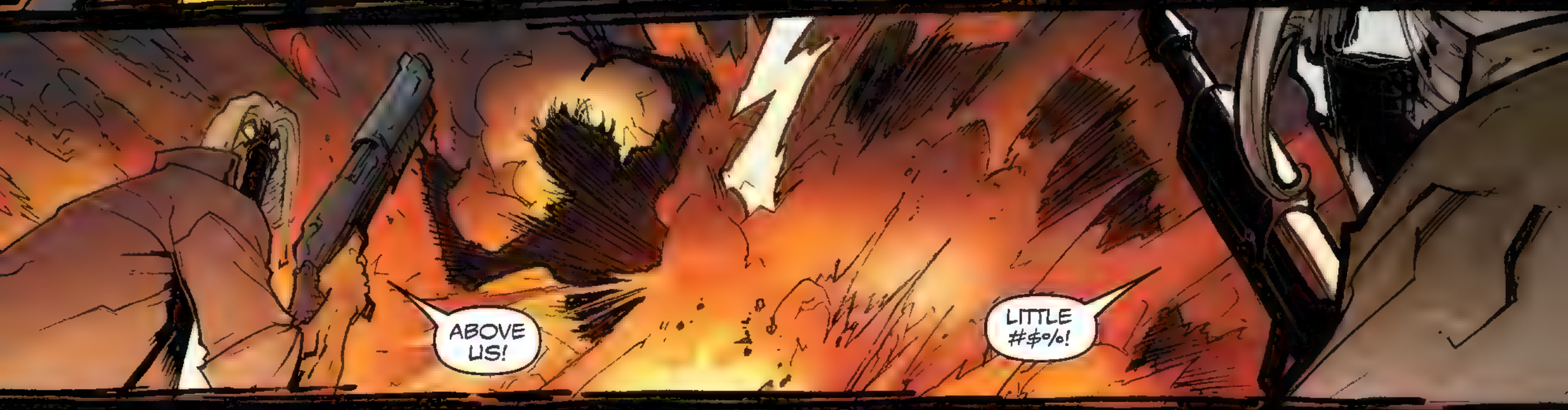
UH...
HAS ANYBODY
GOT A PLAN
HERE?!

ASK ARMY
BOY. HE'S THE
ONE WHO WANTED
TO DO THIS NON-
LETHALLY!

AND!!
WE'RE GETTING
PINNED
DOWN!



ON IT!



ABOVE
US!

LITTLE
#&%/!

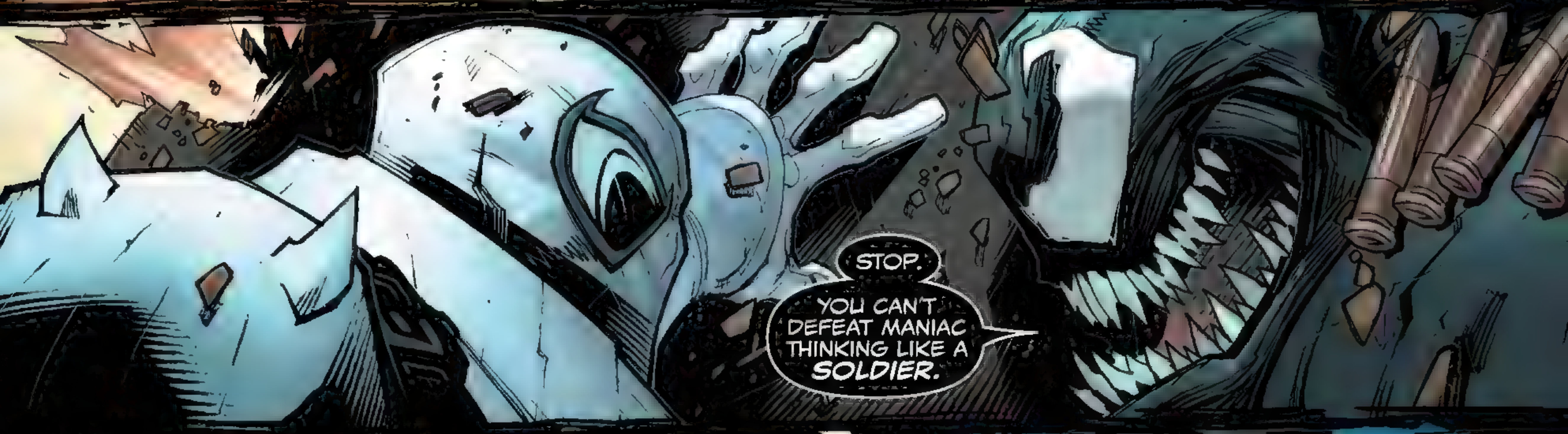


CRAP!



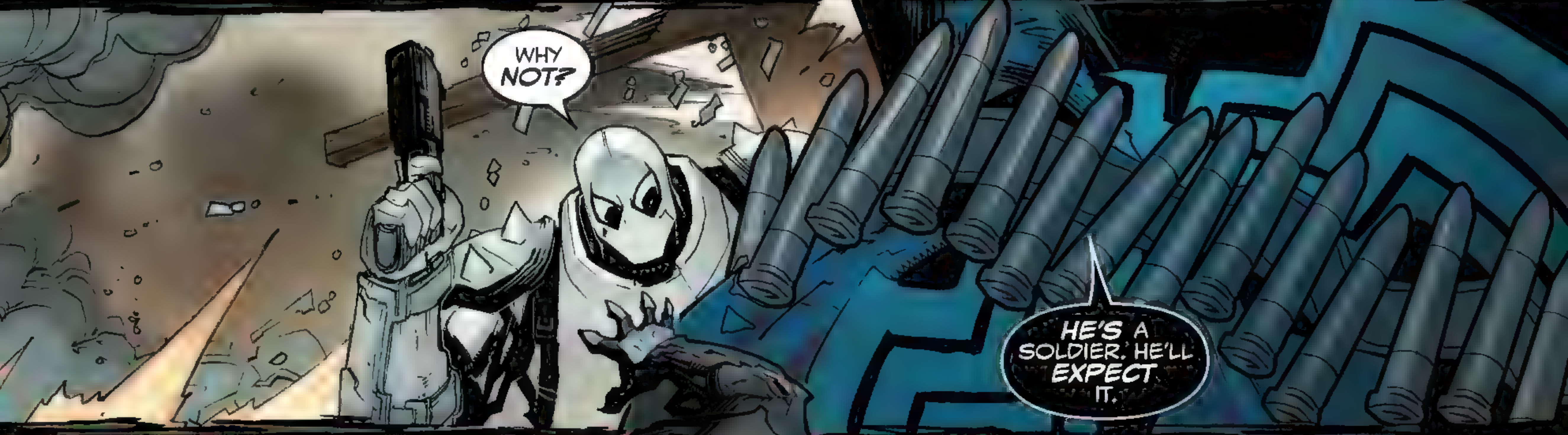
WE'LL NEVER
GET OUT OF HERE
ADVANCING TOWARD
THE DOORS.

WE NEED
TO GET EITHER
CAT OR **SPIDER-MAN**
UP TOP TO JOIN **ANDI**.
THEY CAN MOVE DOWN
AND FLANK--



STOP.

YOU CAN'T
DEFEAT MANIAC
THINKING LIKE A
SOLDIER.



WHY
NOT?

HE'S A
SOLDIER. HE'LL
EXPECT
IT.

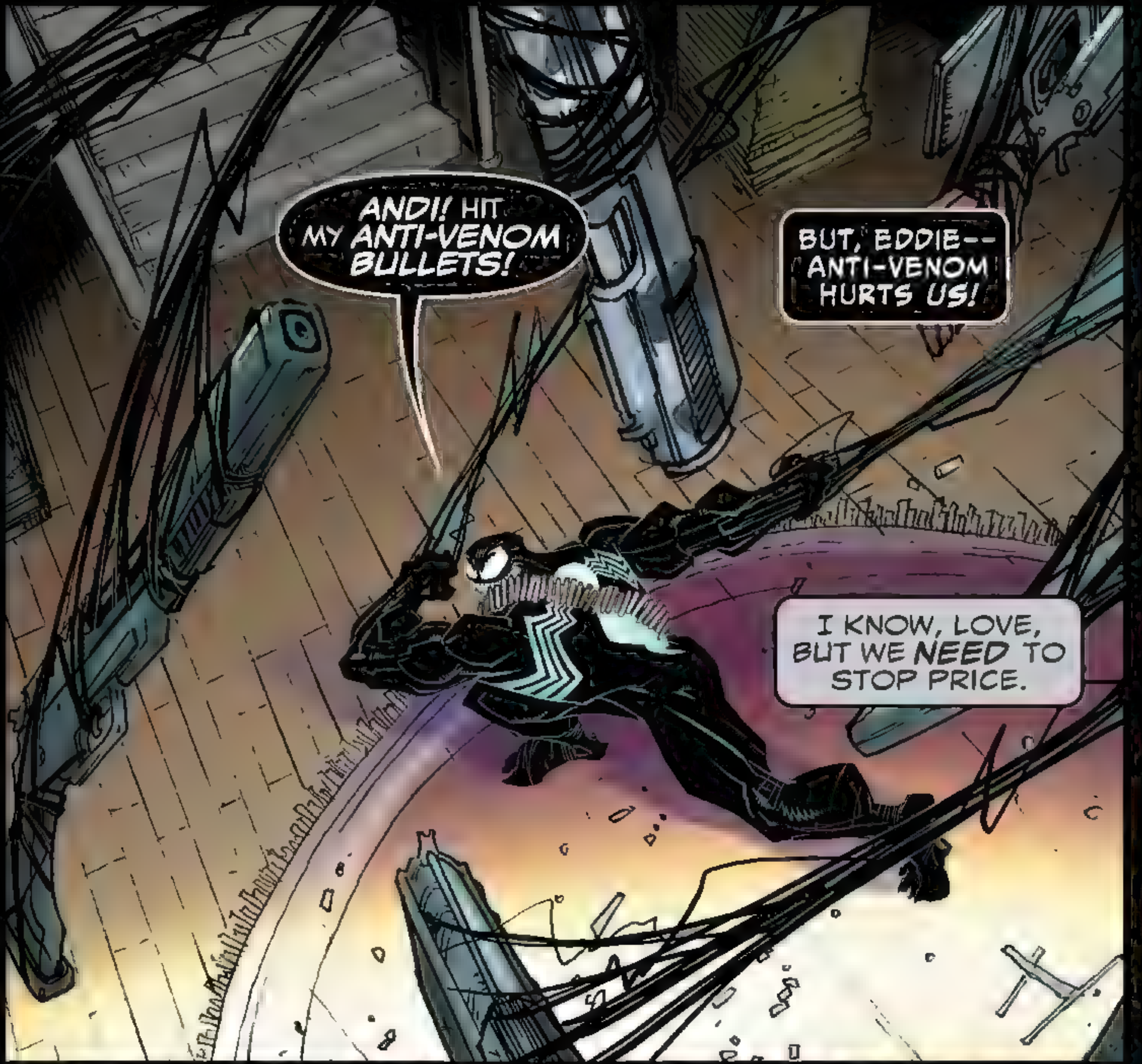


WHAT
HE WON'T
EXPECT--

--IS **SUICIDAL
INSANITY**.



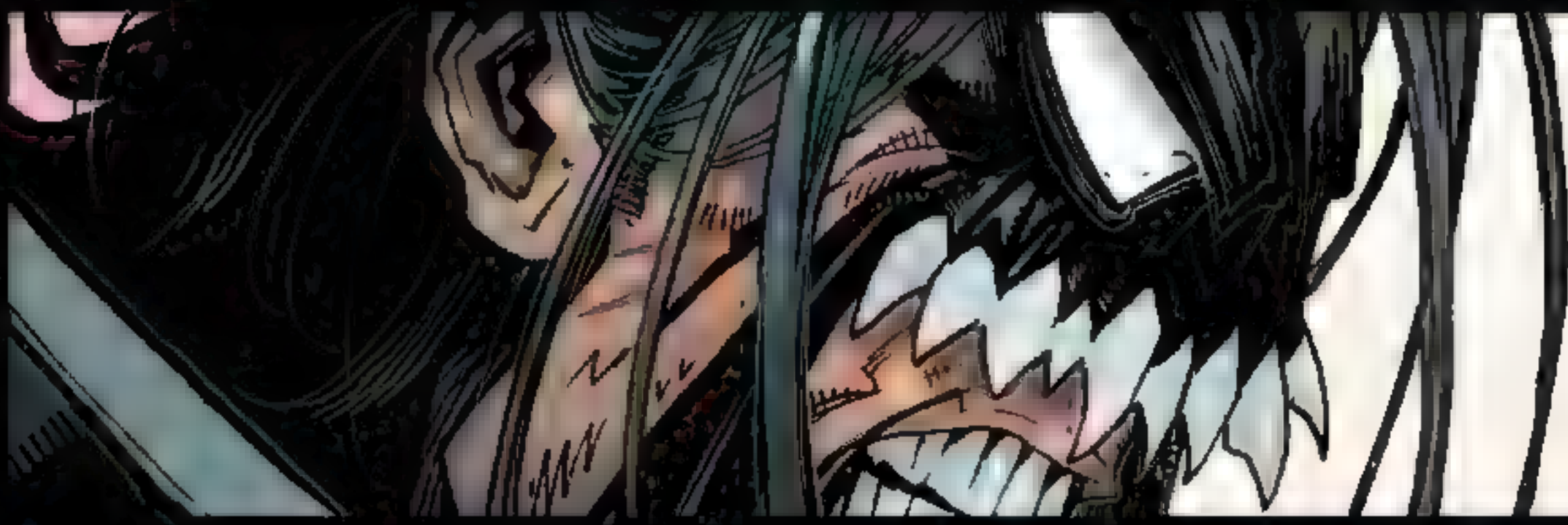
WHAT THE--?!



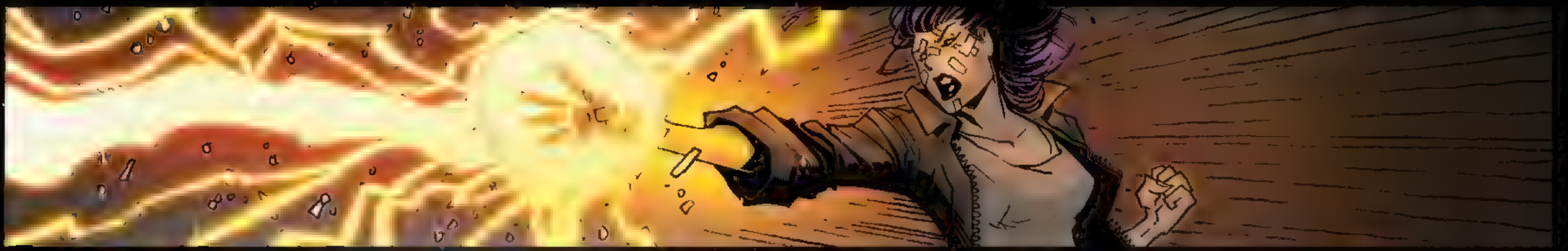
ANDI! HIT MY ANTI-VENOM BULLETS!

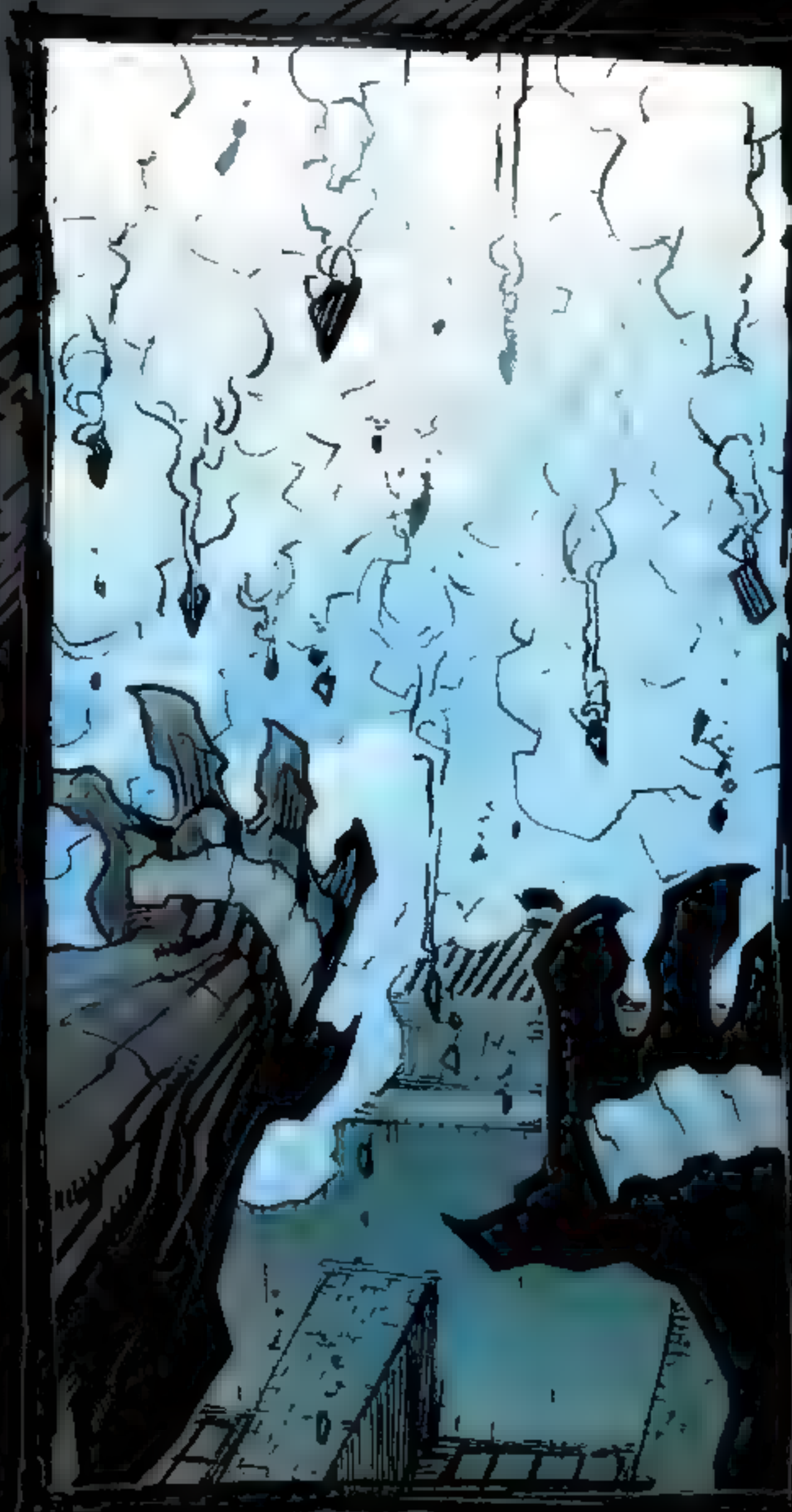
BUT, EDDIE-- ANTI-VENOM HURTS US!

I KNOW, LOVE, BUT WE NEED TO STOP PRICE.



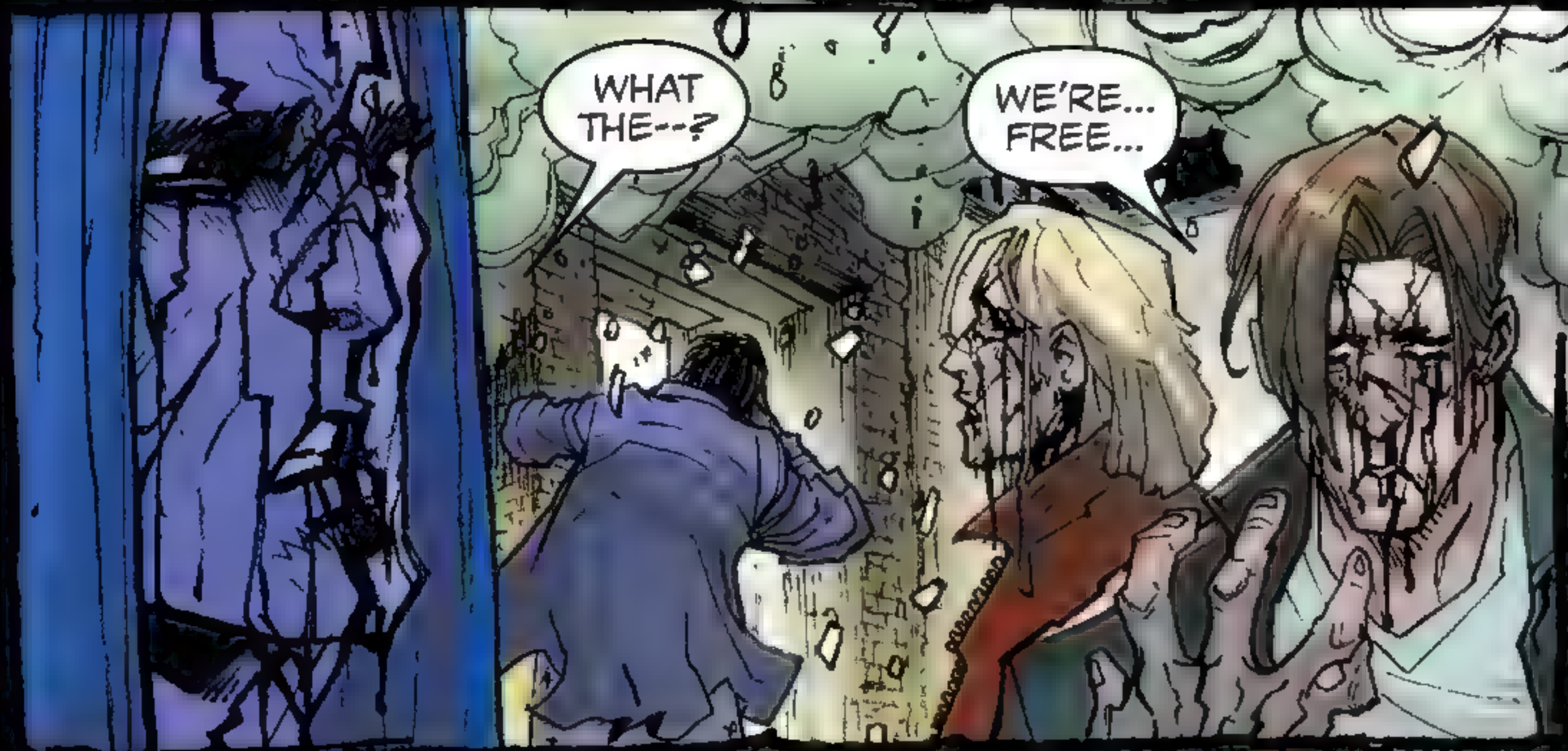
UH-OH.







IF YOU
TELL ANYBODY
I SAVED YOU, I'LL
LIE.



I CANNOT
BELIEVE THAT
WORKED.

BECAUSE
YOU LACK
IMAGINATION,
THOMPSON.



BOYS...

MANIAC
ISN'T HERE.
HE ESCAPED
THE BLAST.

ALSO,
ANYONE NOTICE
THE PIECES OF THAT
SYMBIOTE ARE STILL
MOVING?



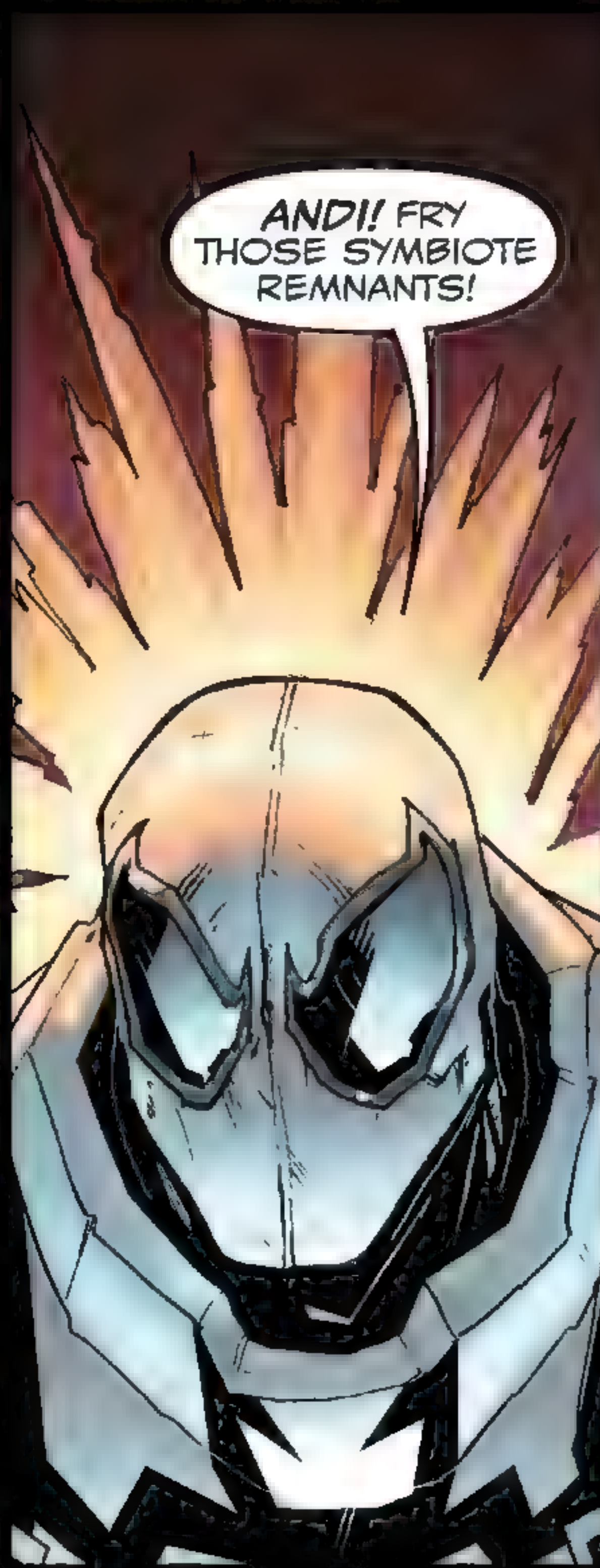
CAT'S
RIGHT...

...THEY'RE
ALL HEADING
SOMEWHERE!



QUICK!
STOP 'EM!





AND!! FRY
THOSE SYMBIOTE
REMNANTS!



BUT...IT'S MY
SYMBIOTE.



BUT THESE
SMALL PIECES OF
IT AREN'T--THEY'RE
MANIAC'S! WE NEED
TO **SEPARATE** HIM
FROM YOUR
SYMBIOTE--



"--BEFORE IT'S
TOO LATE."



OH, IT'S
ALREADY TOO
LATE.



AND
MY MISTAKE
WAS SPREADING
THIS AROUND IN
THE FIRST
PLACE.

THIS
SYMBIOTE
BELONGS TO
NOBODY...

**NOBODY
BUT ME!**





Amazing Spider-Man: Venom Inc. Alpha 1 variant by **ADI GRANOV**



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WE REALLY SHOULD FIND WHERE ANDI'S SYMBIOTE IS GOING.

THAT'S NOT JUST ANDI'S SYMBIOTE. IT'S EVERYTHING MANIAC SPAWNED OUT OF IT.

NO! WE NEED TO FIND LEE PRICE! AND MAKE HIM PAY!

BUT WHERE IS HE?



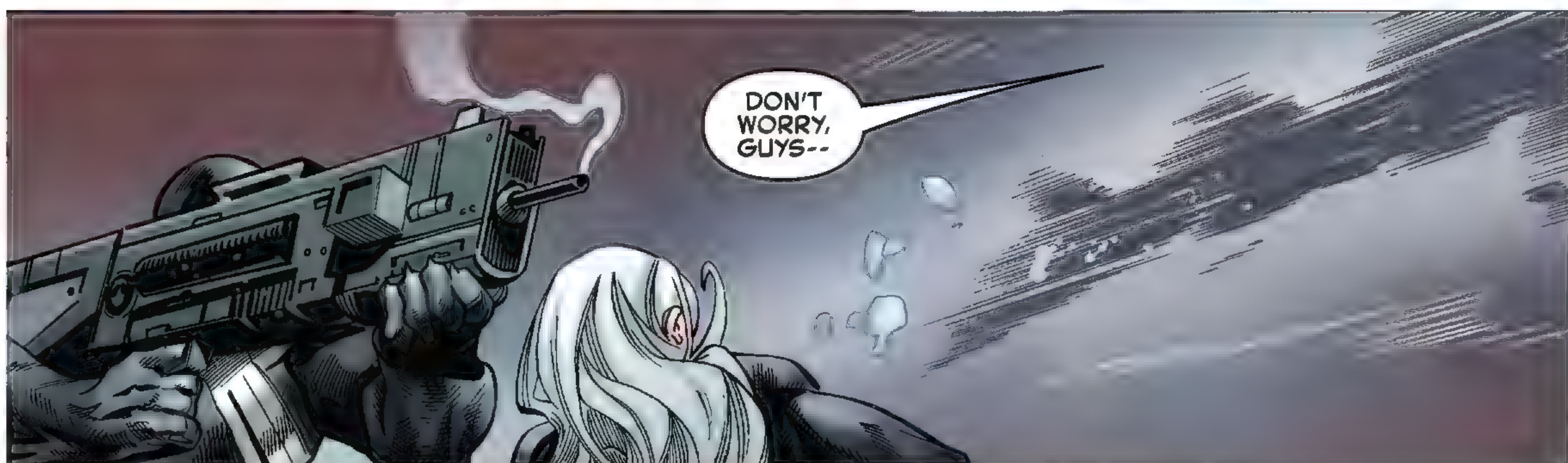
GUYS! IT'S ME, UP ON THE ROOF! LOOK!

SOMETHING'S HAPPENING WITH THE GROUND OVER THERE!



YOU'RE NOT LEAVING, ARE YOU?
THE FUN'S JUST BEGINNING!



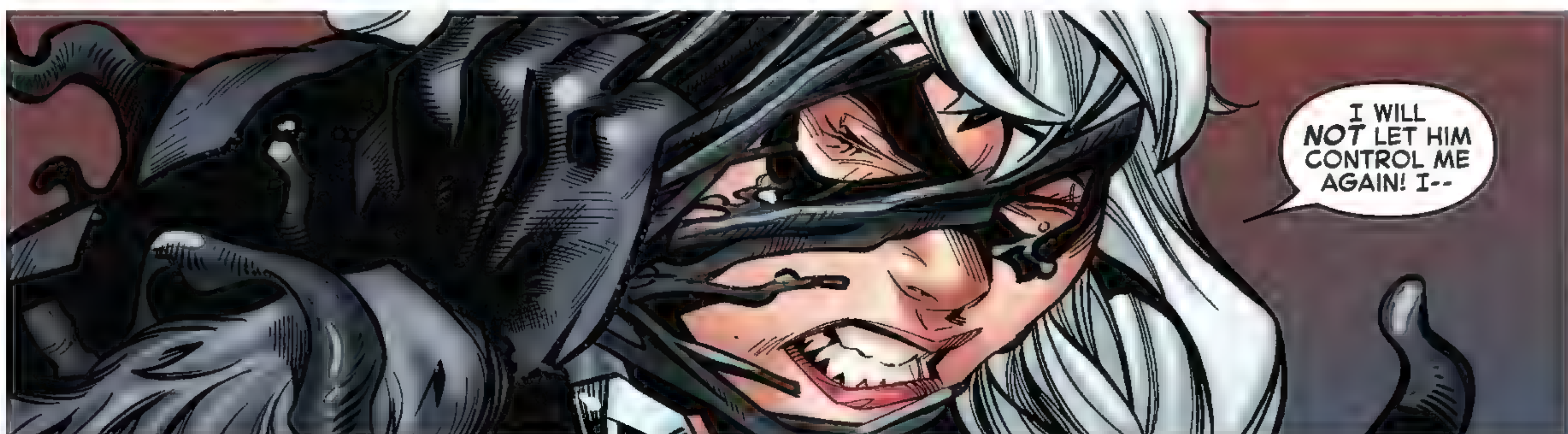
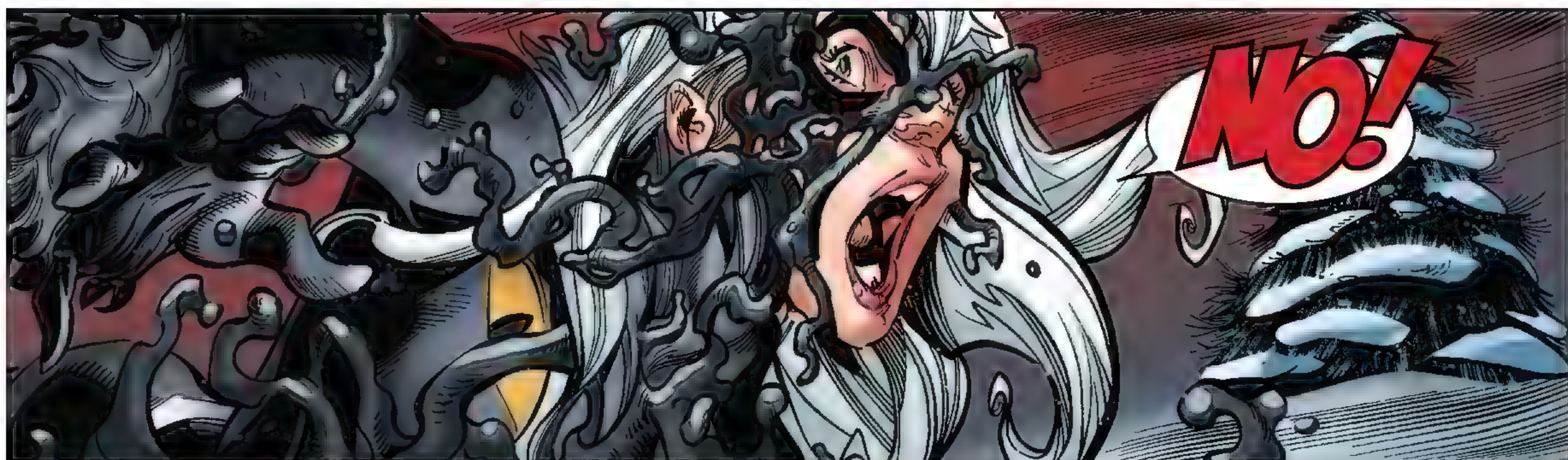






SPLOO







OKAY, ANDI.
YOU'RE ON
OVERWATCH.

COACH IS
DOWN. SPIDEY'S
GONE AFTER HIM.
CAT'S POSSIBLY
TURNED AND BROCK'S
OUT OF HIS
LEAGUE.



WHAT
THE HELL CAN
YOU DO UP
HERE?



MAY AS
WELL **BRING**
THE HELL DOWN
THERE.



HANG ON,
FLASH-BUDDY.
I'M COMING
FOR YOU!





C-CAN'T
MOVE.
EV-EVERYTHING'S
BROKEN
INSIDE.

EUGENE.

G-GO.
GO ON WITHOUT
ME. ANDI--ANDI
AND THE OTHERS
NEED YOU.

TOUGH.

BECAUSE
I NEED YOU,
COLONEL EUGENE
"FLASH"
THOMPSON.

THE MAN
WHO TOOK
EVERYTHING A
WAR COULD
THROW AT
HIM--

--AND
NEVER
STOOD
DOWN!

I NEED
THE MAN WHO
SAVED HIS WHOLE
UNIT, NO MATTER
WHAT THE
COST!





ALL
RIGHT, LITTLE
FIREBUG...
TIME
TO PUT
YOU OU--
UKKK!

JUST.
SHUT.
UP.



RRRAAAA--
CAT? BUT I
MADE YOU
AGAIN--



DOESN'T
WORK TWICE,
YOU MORON. YOU'RE
AS SMART AS
YOU ARE--



GIGANTIC?!
**HA HA
HA!**



TRY TO
CHOKE ME
WITH YOUR LITTLE
ANTI-VENOM
DIPPED
WHIP...

HURTS LIKE
SUNBURN.

...AS
IN, NOT
MUCH.



COME ON,
LUCK POWERS.
NOW'S THE TIME
TO HELP.

LUCK'S
JUST RUN
OUT!



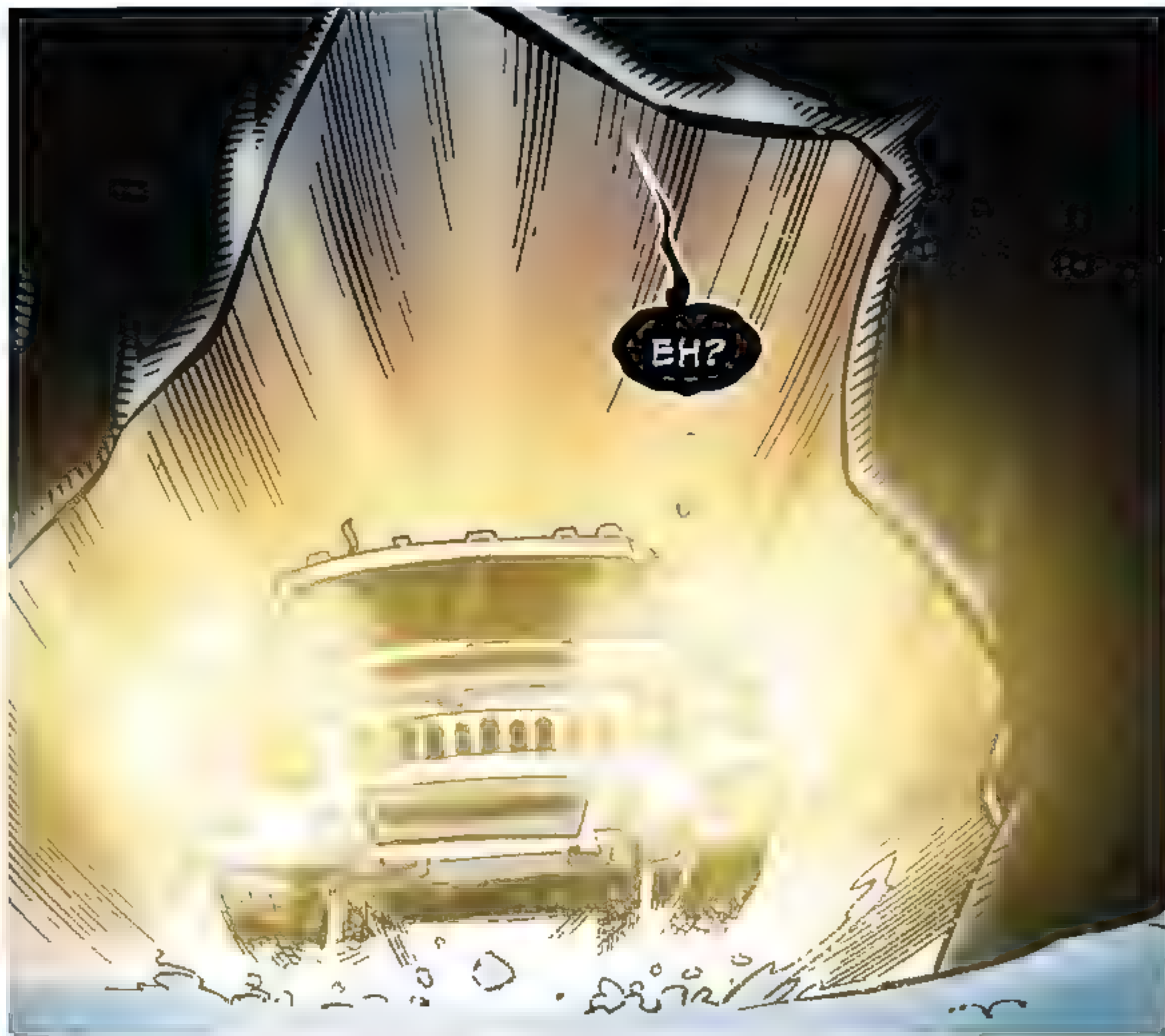
HOP

HOP

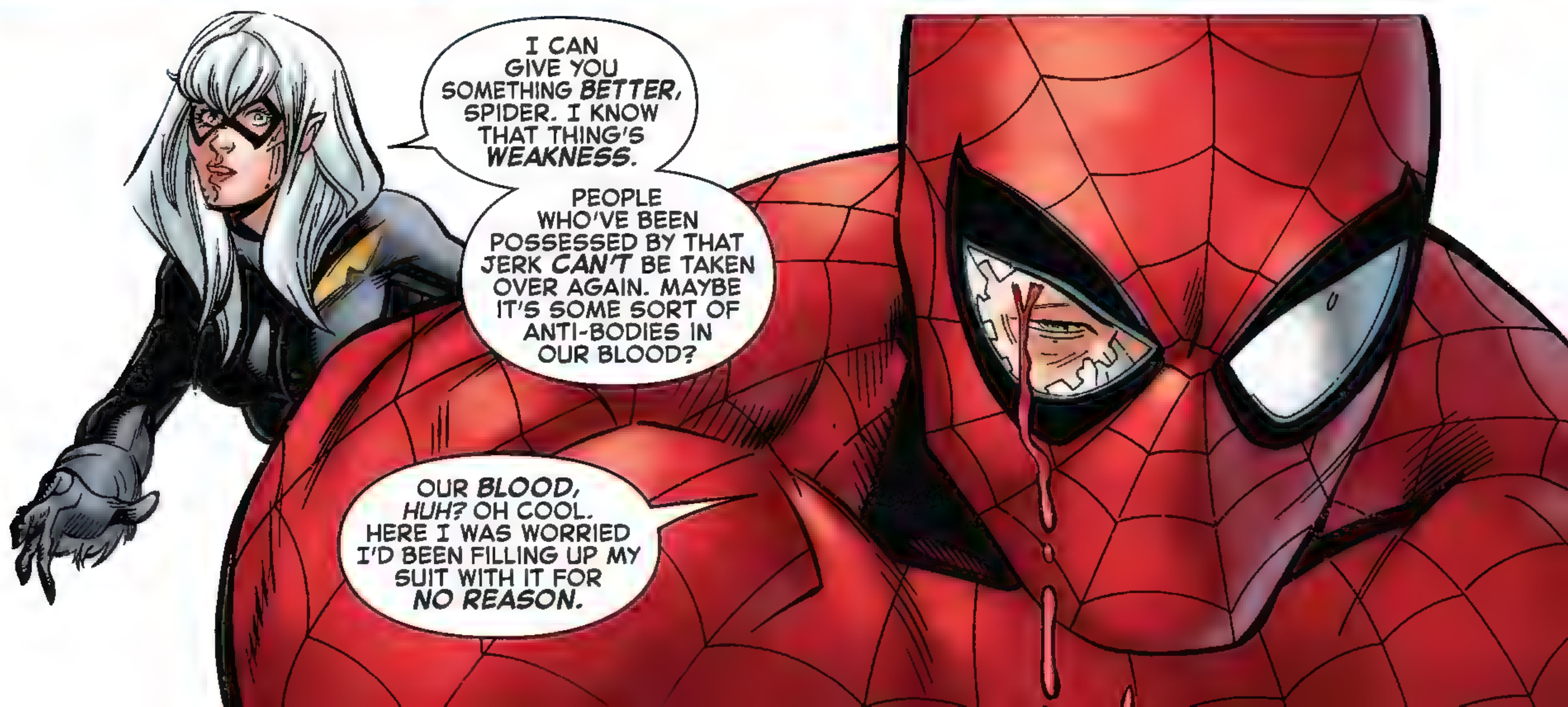
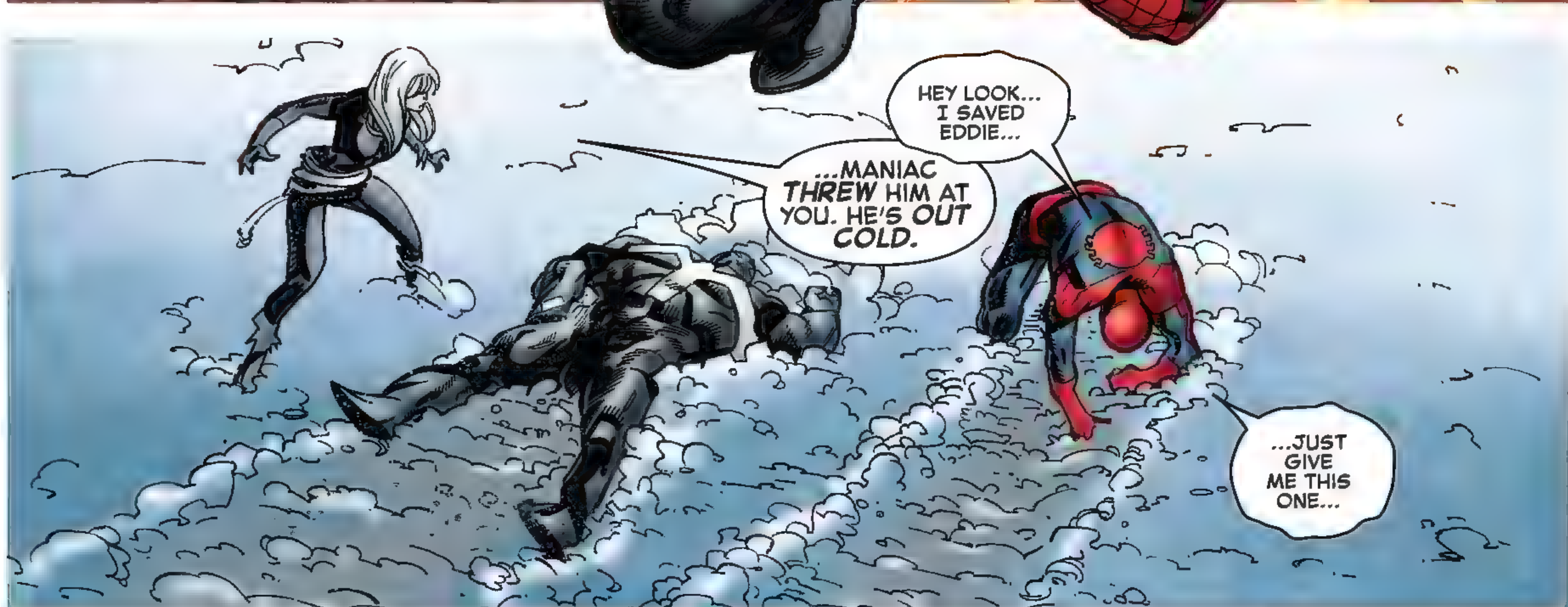


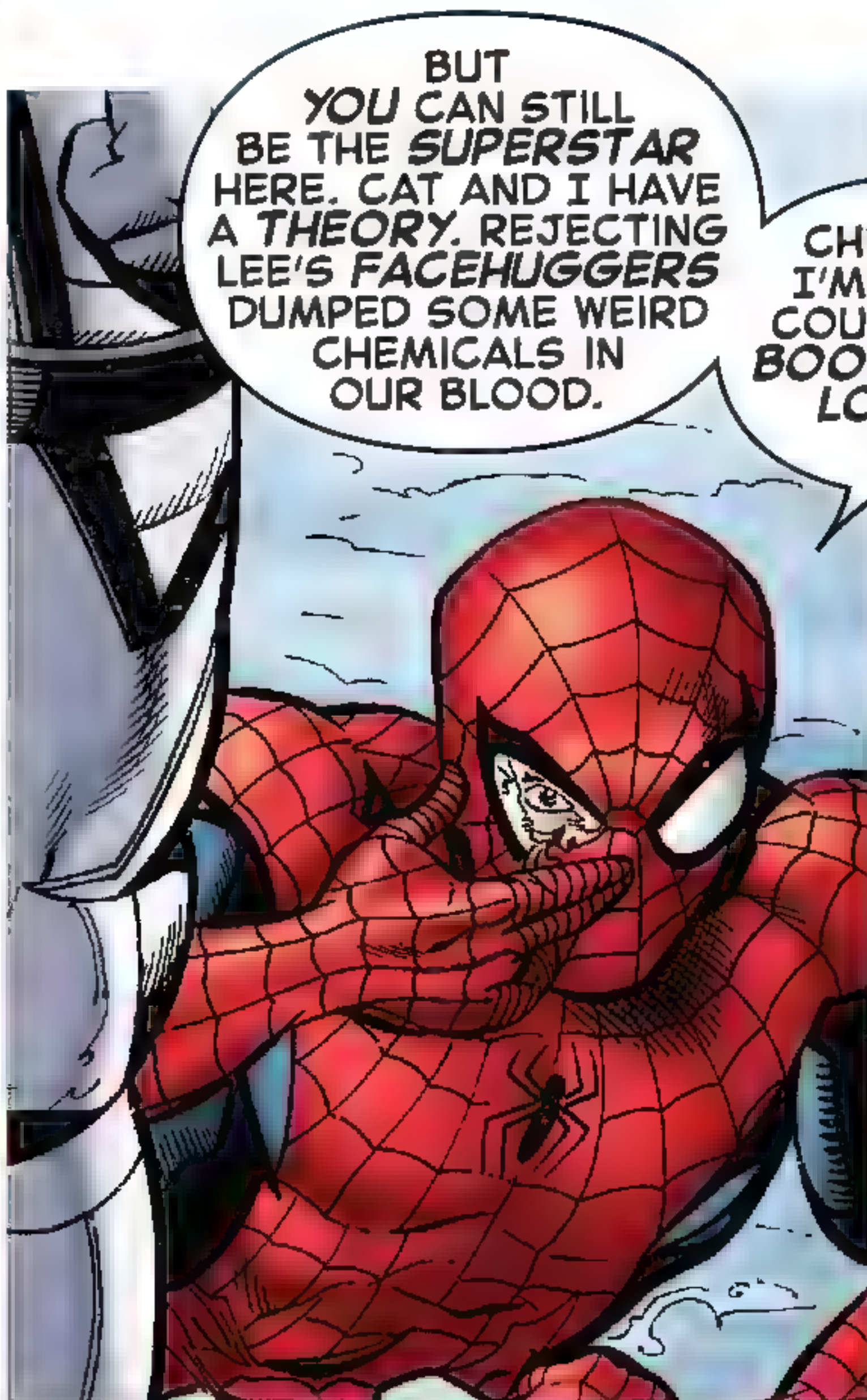
I CALL
THIS ONE
THE ALLEY CAT
ALLEY-
OOP!

BOOM

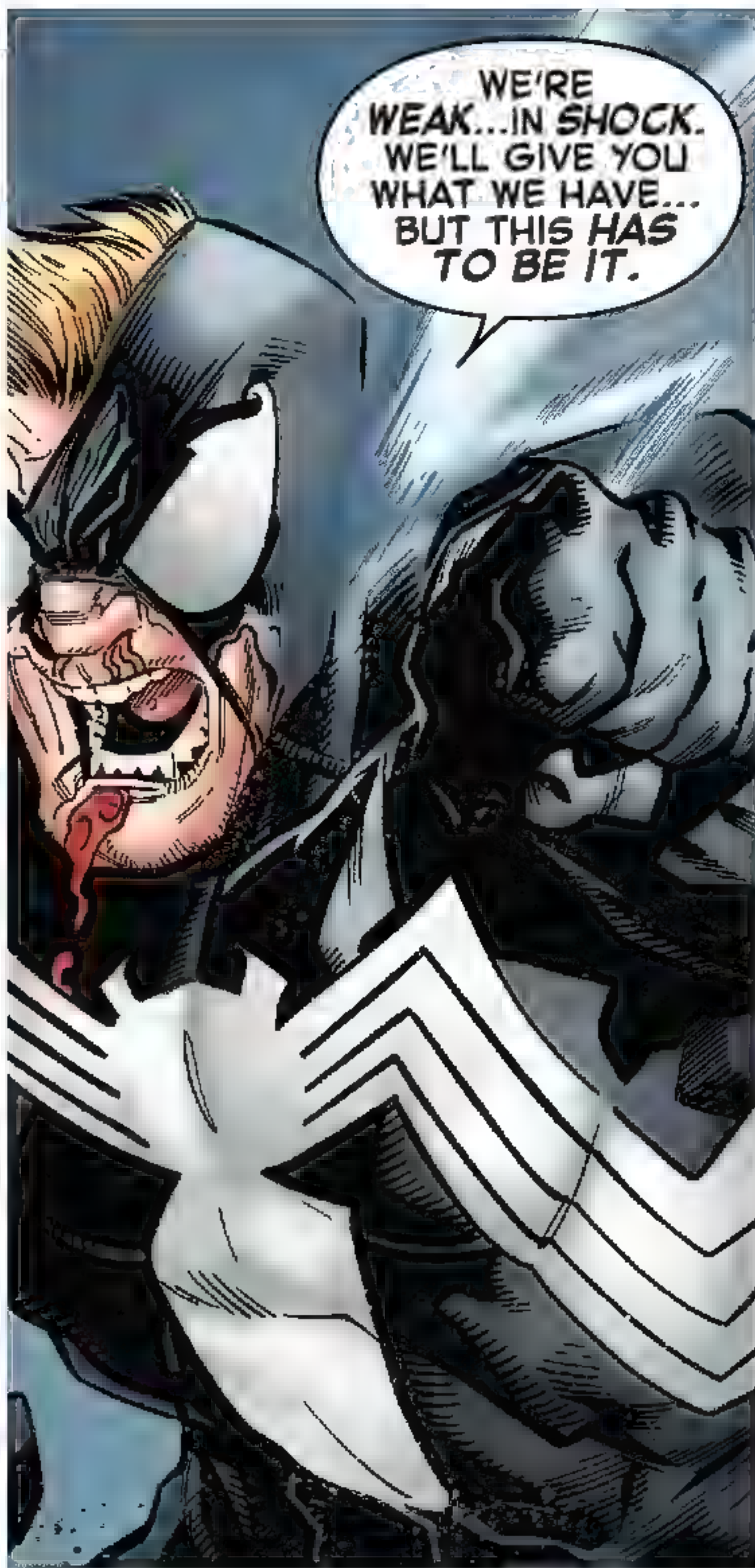










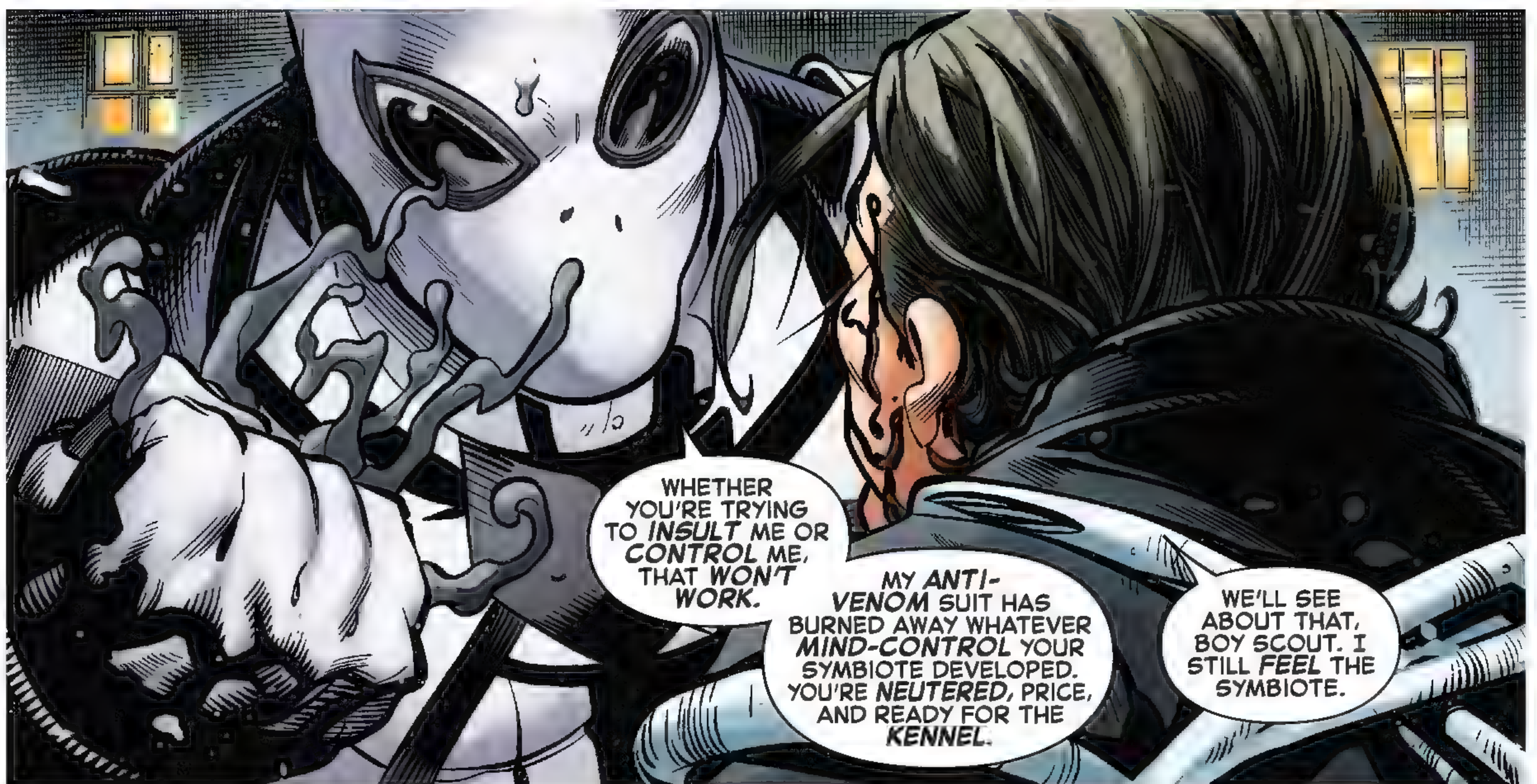
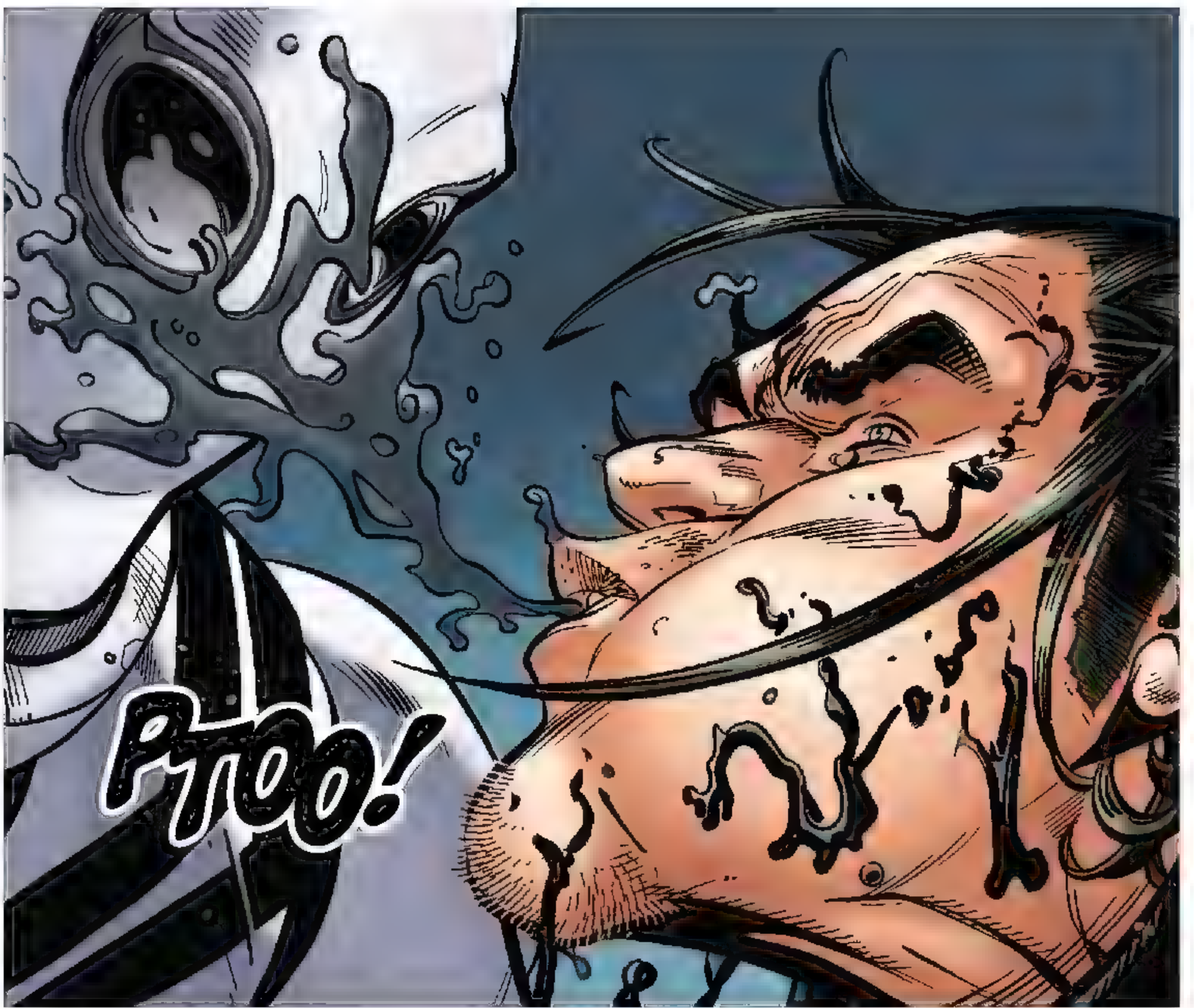


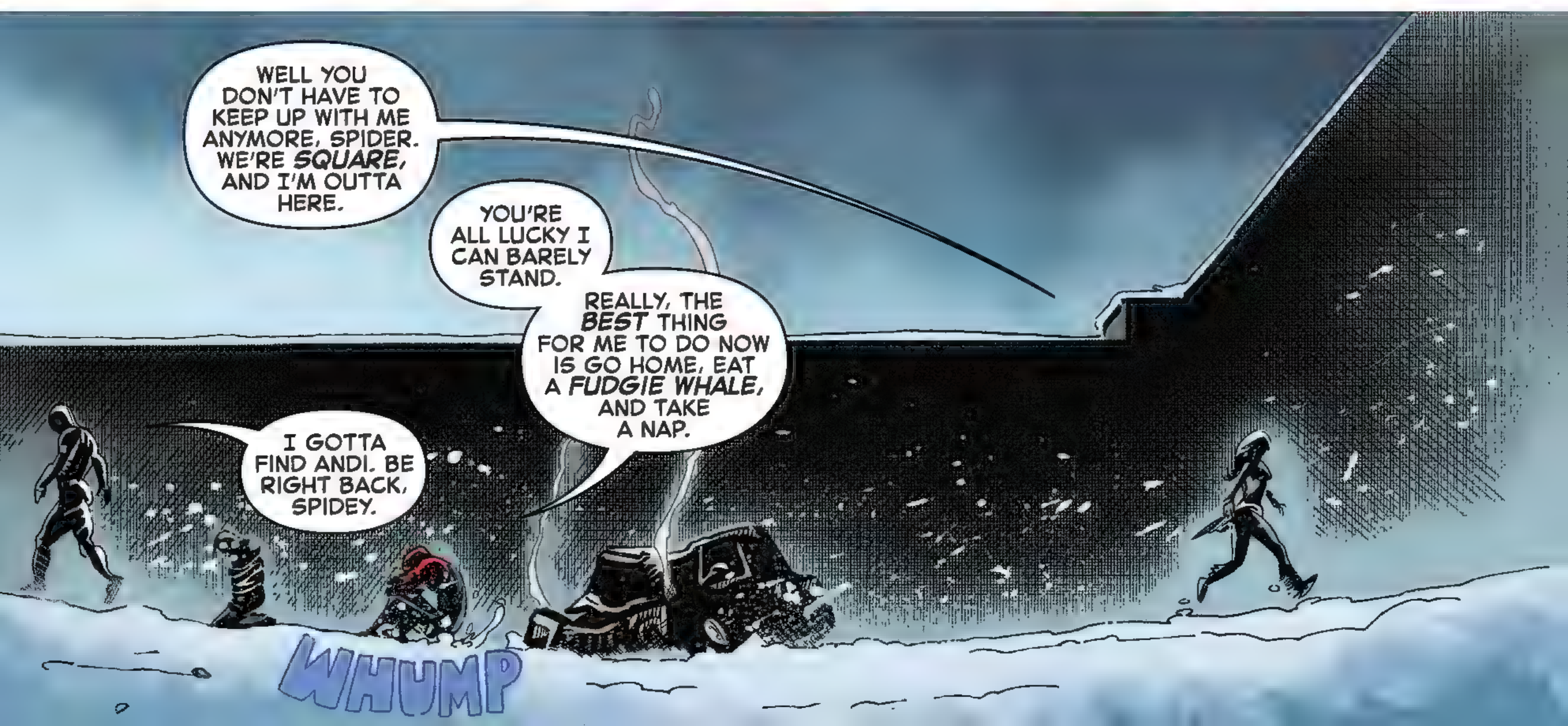
AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAANNNNNNNNNN

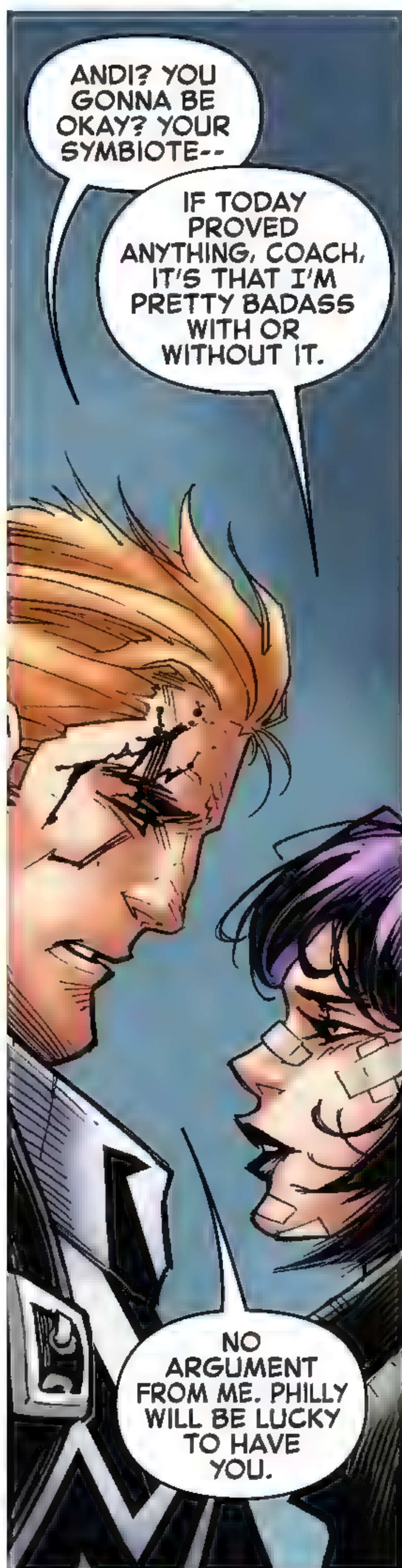
--FOR YOU
TO TAKE YOUR
MEDICINE!







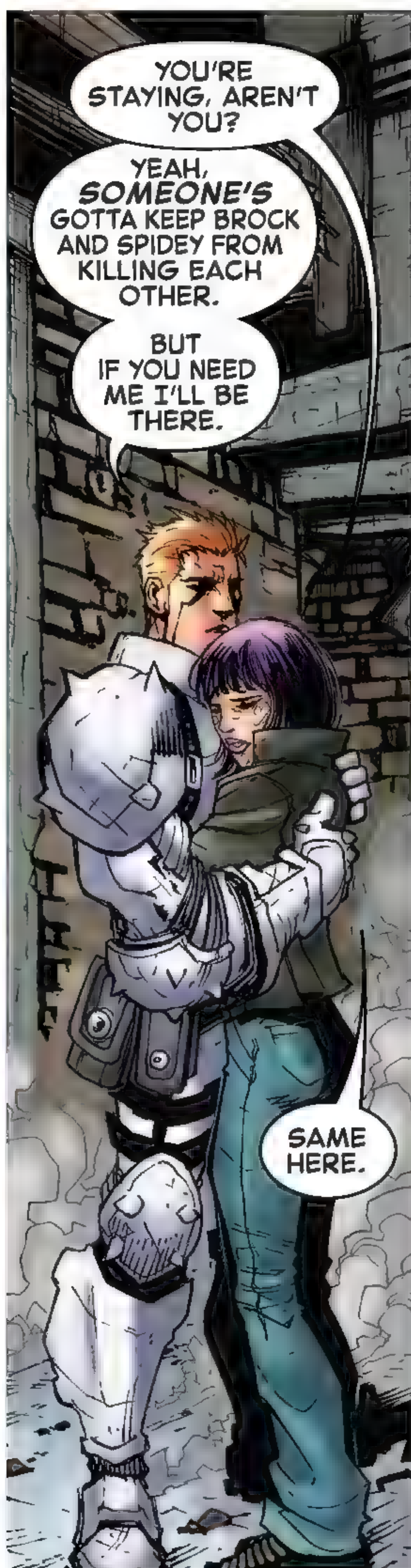




ANDI? YOU GONNA BE OKAY? YOUR SYMBIOTE--

IF TODAY PROVED ANYTHING, COACH, IT'S THAT I'M PRETTY BADASS WITH OR WITHOUT IT.

NO ARGUMENT FROM ME. PHILLY WILL BE LUCKY TO HAVE YOU.



YOU'RE STAYING, AREN'T YOU?

YEAH, *SOMEONE'S* GOTTA KEEP BROCK AND SPIDEY FROM KILLING EACH OTHER.

BUT IF YOU NEED ME I'LL BE THERE.

SAME HERE.



HOW 'BOUT I USE THAT HEALING POWER?

HERE. ON YOUR FEET, SOLDIER.

NOW WHERE HAVE I HEARD THAT BEFORE?

THANKS FOR THE TALK EARLIER. MORE IMPORTANTLY...

...THANK YOU FOR THE HONOR AND PRIVILEGE OF FIGHTING BESIDE YOU. YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN MY HERO.



YOU WANT TO SEE A HERO, COLONEL THOMPSON, ALL YOU'VE GOTTA DO IS LOOK IN THE MIRROR. THE HONOR WAS MINE.

DON'T GO ALL MUSHY ON ME NOW, WEBS.

BESIDES, MY MILITARY CONTACTS ARE ON THE WAY-- GET OUTTA HERE!

BUT WHAT ABOUT YOU?



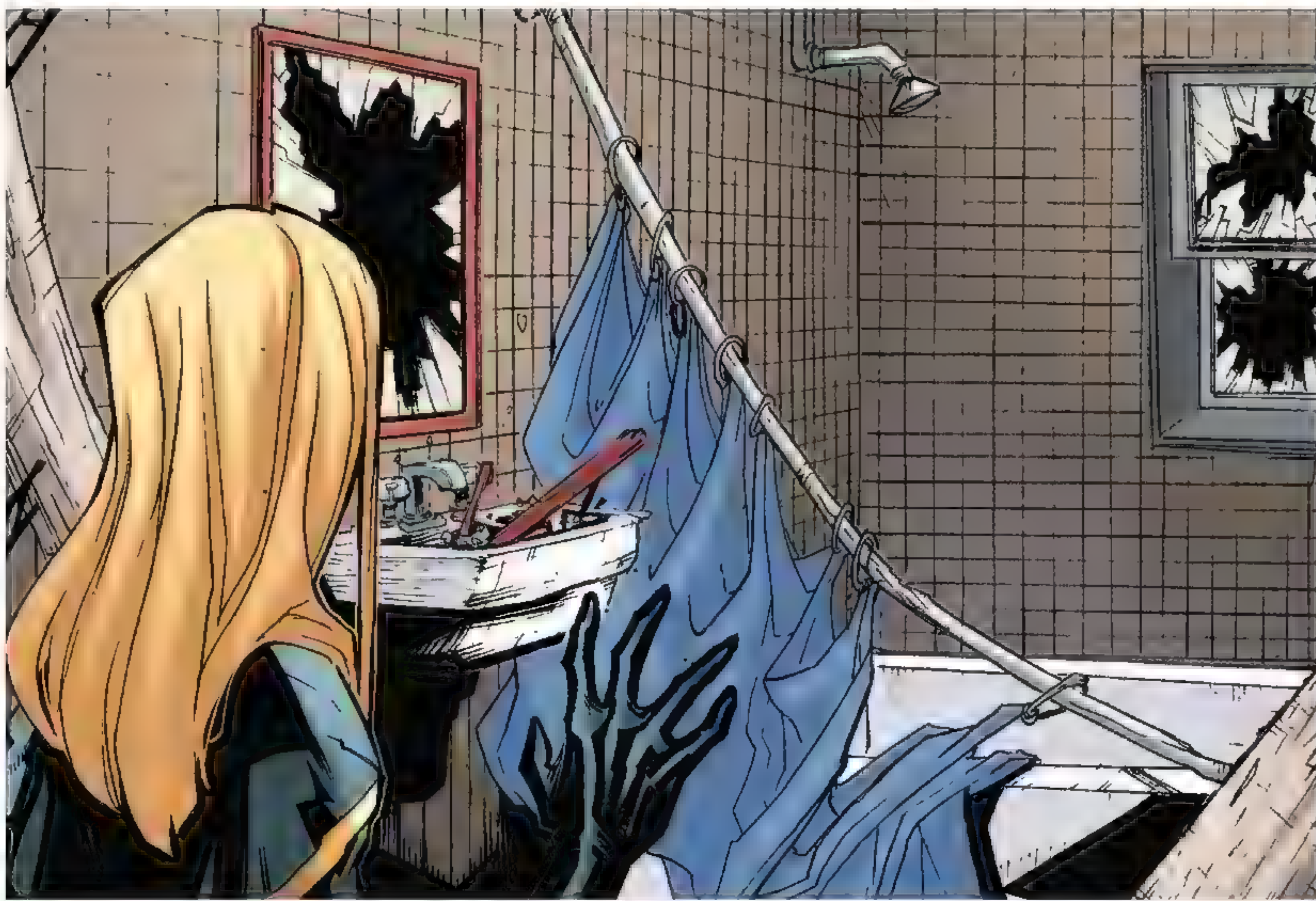
WELL, ONE OF US HAS TIES TO THE GOVERNMENT...

...AND THE OTHER'S A KNOWN VIGILANTE.

FAIR POINT.

AND WITH THAT, OUR WONDROUS WEB-HEADED HERO WRAPS UP ANOTHER AWE-INSPIRING ADVENTURE AND MAKES HIS WAY...







TSK.



MAYBE
THINK OF IT
AS A FRESH
START.

A "FRESH START"? IT
TOOK ME YEARS TO BUILD
UP MY CLOUT. TO MAKE
ALLIANCES. TO BE TAKEN
SERIOUSLY.

ALL OF
THAT'S BEEN
DISMANTLED IN A
SINGLE DAY. WHO'S
GOING TO TRUST
ME NOW?



YOU ONLY
NEED TO TRUST
YOURSELF.

IS THIS
WHO YOU REALLY
WANT TO BE? SOME
CRIME BOSS, PULLING
STRINGS, BENEFITTING
FROM THEFT AND MURDER?
WE JUST RISKED OUR
LIVES STOPPING A
MAN WHO WAS
DOING THAT.

YOU'VE
LOST YOUR
EMPIRE...
BUT WEREN'T
YOU ALWAYS
LUCKY?



NOW YOU
CAN FOLLOW YOUR
OWN CODE. PUNISH
THE PEOPLE WHO
TRULY DESERVE
IT. PROTECT THE
INNOCENT.

AFTER
ALL,
GAT...



...THIS CITY
ALWAYS NEEDS
HEROES.





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